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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The Oversea imports during August were valued at £3,207,645, and show a decrease of £326,012, or 9·2 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The total for two months was £6,080,596, a decrease of £218,611, or 3·4 per cent. in comparison with the figures for 1915.

The Oversea exports of merchandise during August amounted to £2,958,771, being an increase of £1,230,897, or over 71 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the two months, July and August, there was an increase of £925,348, or over 23 per cent., compared with the same period for 1915.

Principal increases during the two months were—

	£
Wheat and Flour	920,867
Minerals	319,546

Principal decreases during the same period were—

Butter... ..	482
Wool	768,303
“Other” Pastoral Produce	252,299

Imports at Sydney.—Excluding the value of the imports from State ports, the articles imported at the port of Sydney in August were valued at £4,369,996. The following is a summary of the imports during the month :—

					Weight and Measurement.	Value.
					tons.	£
Imports Oversea	...	...	...	...	102,541	3,068,168
„ Interstate	...	...	...	...	48,975	1,301,828
„ From State Ports	...	...	...	...	170,793	Not available.
Transhipments—						
Oversea...	...	...	...	...	21,385	„
Interstate	...	...	...	...	19,750	„
To State Ports	...	...	...	...	8,674	„

A few special articles, denoted by number in the detailed table within, have been converted into weight or measurement, and are included in the above statement. During the two months ended August, 1916, the oversea imports were valued at £5,846,740, and the interstate imports at £2,392,618, the total of the two being £8,239,358.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for August show that the net revenue for the month was £1,552,842, or £251,447 more than in August of last year. During the two months ended 31st August, the revenue was £2,884,170, being £260,232, or 9·9 per cent. more than in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Principal increases during the two months were—				£
From Commonwealth Returns	...	...	...	1,764
„ Railways and Tramways	...	...	...	81,018
„ Taxation	...	...	...	179,574

Principal decreases during the same period were—

From Public Lands	...	...	...	5,344
„ Water and Sewerage rates	...	...	...	6,385
„ Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission	...	...	...	5,682

The expenditure during August was £1,616,347, an increase of £198,537, or 14 per cent., as compared with August of last year. During the two months the expenditure was £3,200,127, being £333,388, or 11·6 per cent. more than in 1915-16.

Principal increases during the two months were—				£
Interest Repayments	...	...	...	52,821
Government Departments	...	...	...	62,144
Business Undertakings	...	...	...	218,423

On the 31st August, 1916, the Consolidated Revenue Account was in debit to the amount of £643,798.

Savings Banks.—The latest returns show that at the 30th June, 1916, there were 806,882 depositors, having £37,363,272 on deposit. This shows an increase of £1,800,623 in deposits during the year. The average amount on deposit was slightly over £46 per depositor and £20 per inhabitant.

Gold Production.—The gold yield during August was 6,356 oz. crude, equal to 5,683 oz. fine, valued at £24,140, and showed a decrease of 2,715 oz. fine, and £11,530 in value, compared with August of last year. The value of gold produced during the eight months was £253,370, and showed a decrease of 31,185 oz. fine, and £132,465 in value, in the figures for the corresponding period of last year.

Cost of Living, Sydney.—From the information collected each month (see Table 57) as to the retail prices in Sydney of food and groceries, it appears that in August, 1916, prices were 31·6 per cent. higher than in July, 1914, 5·4 per cent. lower than in August, 1915, and 1·5 per cent. lower than in July, 1916.

Meat, which is included in the results quoted above, shows prices in August, 1916, 66·1 per cent. higher than in July, 1914, 7·2 per cent. lower than in August, 1915, and 2·6 per cent. lower than in July, 1916. Potatoes, oatmeal, starch, and kerosene increased in price, while decreases occurred in the prices of bacon, ham, eggs, flour, and raisins.

As regards meat, sirloin of beef showed a very slight increase, but all cuts of mutton fell slightly, and pork remained at the proclaimed price.

The following is a statement of the price levels since July, 1914, the levels for which were taken as base and called 100 :—

Month.	Meat.	Other Food and Groceries.	Meat, other Food and Groceries combined.
July, 1914.....	100	100	100
August „	98·9	100·1	99·7
August, 1915.....	178·9	125·2	139·1
March, 1916.....	167·2	118·8	131·3
April „	165·7	116·7	129·3
May „	166·4	118·6	131·0
June „	167·6	118·7	131·3
July „	170·6	120·7	133·6
August „	166·1	119·6	131·6

Land Selections.—During August, 120 applications were made for 87,059 acres under the Crown Lands Act; and 143,065 acres, representing 413 blocks, were gazetted for residential settlement, which includes areas set apart for returned soldiers. Since the beginning of the year the number of applications has been 791, and the area applied for 413,159 acres. The original area gazetted for residential settlement since the 1st January is 1,327,077 acres, representing 1,810 blocks.

Meteorology.—Favourable rains were received throughout New South Wales during August, which largely enhanced the prospects of an excellent season. Falls were recorded over almost the total area, being in many instances considerably in excess of normal. Amongst the favoured districts were the South-Western Slopes, the Central Tablelands, and the Central-Western Slopes; the central districts generally received more than the usual amounts, floods resulting in some of the southern rivers. Although most of the stations situated in the western district and along the seaboard received less than the general average, the shortages were not of a serious nature. The rain in the metropolitan area was very poor, and again failed to reach the average.

Temperatures registered during the month showed an upward tendency, particularly in the North Coast district.

Vital Statistics—Sydney and Suburbs—August, 1916.—The births registered numbered 1,846, equal to 29·04 per 1,000 of population; of the total, 934 were males and 912 females. The rate is 1·8 per cent. below the average of the previous five years.

The deaths numbered 728, namely, 398 males and 330 females, equal to a rate of 11·40 per 1,000 of population. The mortality rate is 5·5 per cent. below the average of the previous five years. The deaths were below the average in all age-groups, except age-group 1-4.

The infantile mortality was 57 per 1,000 births, being 8·1 per cent. below the average for August of the previous five years.

New Buildings—Metropolis.—According to returns supplied by the several Town Clerks, there were erected, in the Metropolitan area, during August, 516 new buildings. The total for the eight months, January to August, was 3,803, as compared with 4,375 during the corresponding period of 1915,

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1905	765,161	703,992	1,469,153	28,234	1'96	1,454,800
1906	779,666	718,943	1,498,609	29,456	2'00	1,484,600
1907	795,635	736,345	1,531,980	33,371	2'23	1,517,900
1908	809,240	750,786	1,560,026	28,046	1'83	1,545,700
1909	829,329	767,356	1,596,685	36,659	2'35	1,577,200
1910	852,680	785,540	1,638,220	41,535	2'60	1,616,200
1911	889,391	809,345	1,698,736*	62,240*	3'80	1,664,500*
1912	935,979	842,983	1,778,962	80,226	4'72	1,738,600
1913	962,749	869,707	1,832,456	53,494	3'01	1,809,400
1914	967,033	894,995	1,862,028	29,572	1'61	1,853,400
1915	951,391	917,253	1,868,644	6,616	'36	1,868,200
1916—31st March	944,885	920,779	1,865,664	...	...	...
1916—30th June	930,191	925,902	1,856,093	...	...	...

The population includes Aborigines of full-blood, viz., 2,012, of whom 1,152 are males and 860 females.

* The population since 1st January, 1911, is exclusive of Federal Capital Area, the population of which at the Census on 2nd April was 1,724, of whom 997 were males and 727 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality
				Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1905	39,501	14,978	10,970	27'15	10'30	7'54	80'55
1906	40,948	14,975	11,551	27'58	10'09	7'78	74'53
1907	42,195	16,410	12,189	27'80	10'81	8'03	88'64
1908	42,525	16,090	12,642	27'51	10'41	8'18	75'79
1909	43,769	15,840	13,048	27'75	10'04	8'27	74'28
1910	45,533	16,191	14,294	28'17	10'02	8'85	74'61
1911	47,677	17,179	15,267	28'64	10'32	9'17	69'49
1912	51,993	18,886	16,664	29'90	10'86	9'58	71'30
1913	52,134	19,732	16,311	28'81	10'91	9'01	78'34
1914	53,615	18,777	17,353	28'93	10'13	9'36	69'72
1915	52,885	19,610	18,129	28'31	10'50	9'70	68'13
Jan. to June., 1916	25,736	9,892	8,746	27'59	10'60	9'37	73'4
" " 1915	27,251	8,873	8,281	29'17	9'50	8'86	60'8
April to June, 1916	12,781	4,909	4,171	27'40	10'52	8'94	64'6
" " 1915	13,801	4,623	4,408	29'55	9'80	9'44	57'8

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females		Males.	Females	Males.	Females	
1905	47,871	26,294	65,061	33,073	172,299	44,739	24,867	65,526	33,456	168,588
1906	50,257	29,208	75,352	38,518	193,335	47,797	27,624	75,658	38,773	189,852
1907	65,684	35,441	93,152	47,061	241,338	59,731	31,017	95,323	47,681	233,752
1908	66,156	35,433	94,885	48,685	245,159	60,474	33,047	99,282	50,745	243,548
1909	69,330	36,680	96,069	48,130	250,509	59,729	32,775	98,878	50,397	241,779
1910	72,421	39,104	108,870	54,821	275,216	62,093	34,421	109,941	56,568	263,023
1911	92,269	49,398	132,988	65,470	340,125	71,308	39,987	130,745	66,343	308,383
1912	106,187	57,601	147,629	73,980	385,397	81,722	43,288	141,032	72,236	338,278
1913	92,925	53,824	156,536	77,905	381,190	81,087	44,097	156,695	78,219	360,098
1914	91,413	51,730	167,833	89,183	400,159	98,626	47,311	172,769	86,719	405,425
1915	70,586	39,512	179,603	94,081	383,782	104,215	36,979	177,264	91,983	410,441
Jan. to June, 1916	33,808	21,268	100,010	56,116	211,202	61,471	20,366	101,071	56,689	239,597
„ 1915	37,031	22,368	86,077	48,368	193,844	49,714	20,058	88,256	47,471	205,499
Apl. to June, 1916	15,920	9,402	47,935	26,783	100,040	34,945	9,266	47,314	25,958	117,483
„ 1915	17,436	9,948	41,614	22,380	91,378	26,656	9,131	41,726	21,525	99,038

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1905	98,134	44,310	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,299
1906	113,870	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,335
1907	140,213	58,734	8,464	21,588	12,339	241,338
1908	143,570	56,582	10,537	20,612	13,858	245,159
1909	144,199	55,285	15,057	23,040	12,928	250,509
1910	163,691	58,146	16,537	22,410	14,432	275,216
1911	198,458	71,262	24,217	27,008	19,180	340,125
1912	221,609	75,872	36,925	26,696	24,295	385,397
1913	234,441	71,490	30,318	23,284	21,657	381,190
1914	257,016	75,875	19,936	25,290	22,042	400,159
1915	273,684	65,736	7,299	18,037	19,026	383,782
Jan. to June, 1916	156,126	33,189	1,675	9,002	11,210	211,202
„ 1915	134,445	35,692	4,326	10,529	8,852	193,844
Apl. to June, 1916	74,718	13,939	830	4,624	5,929	100,040
„ 1915	63,994	15,826	1,762	5,051	4,745	91,378

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1905	98,982	41,738	5,696	12,747	9,425	168,588
1906	114,431	45,060	4,789	15,994	9,578	189,852
1907	143,004	53,333	5,176	21,201	11,038	233,752
1908	150,027	51,590	7,467	22,141	12,323	243,548
1909	149,275	54,756	6,766	17,812	13,170	241,779
1910	166,509	56,722	7,834	17,247	14,711	263,023
1911	197,088	66,922	8,837	18,593	16,943	308,383
1912	213,268	71,179	11,647	19,691	22,493	338,278
1913	234,914	68,923	13,002	20,767	22,492	360,098
1914	259,488	71,875	15,426	23,213	35,423	405,425
1915	269,247	58,811	6,506	17,927	57,950	410,441
Jan. to June, 1916	157,760	30,398	2,045	8,465	40,929	239,597
„ 1915	135,727	33,237	4,377	8,486	23,672	205,499
Apl. to June, 1916	73,272	13,239	1,411	3,971	25,590	117,483
„ 1915	63,251	14,930	2,265	3,508	15,084	99,038

No. 6.—Population—Metropolis.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Sydney (including Shipping).	Suburbs.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1905	110,820	431,070	541,890	11,120	2'10	536,400
1906	110,760	449,040	559,800	17,910	3'31	550,900
1907	112,000	465,180	577,180	17,380	3'10	568,500
1908	112,900	479,200	592,100	14,920	2'58	584,700
1909	120,660	485,240	605,900	13,800	2'33	599,000
1910	119,800	502,430	622,230	16,330	2'70	614,100
1911	118,800	538,000	656,800	34,570	5'56	639,500
1912	116,400	578,400	694,800	38,000	5'79	675,800
1913	115,900	609,500	725,400	30,600	4'40	710,100
1914	110,700	641,800	752,500	27,100	3'74	741,200
1915	104,200	658,800	763,000	10,500	1'31	757,750

NOTE.—The population of Ku-ring-gai Shire (14,060 on 31st December, 1915) is included above as from 1st January, 1911.

No. 7.—Vital Statistics—Metropolis.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.		Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
		Total.	Under one year.		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1905	13,769	5,770	1,230	4,940	25'67	10'76	9'21	89'3
1906	13,984	5,703	1,176	5,248	25'38	10'35	9'53	84'1
1907	14,334	6,238	1,380	5,474	25'21	10'97	9'63	96'3
1908	14,861	6,036	1,229	5,974	25'42	10'32	10'22	82'7
1909	15,461	6,149	1,261	6,367	25'81	10'27	10'62	81'6
1910	16,204	6,365	1,329	6,931	26'39	10'36	11'29	82'0
1911	17,829	6,973	1,268	7,640	27'88	10'90	11'95	71'1
1912	20,140	7,681	1,530	8,923	29'80	11'37	13'20	76'0
1913	20,535	7,938	1,608	8,892	28'92	11'18	12'52	78'3
1914	20,821	7,603	1,452	9,479	28'09	10'26	12'79	69'7
1915	20,871	8,189	1,512	10,122	27'54	10'81	13'58	72'4
Jan.-August 1916	13,990	5,495	978	.....	27'53	10'80	.....	69'9
August ... 1915	14,308	5,242	871	6,382	28'31	10'38	12'63	60'9
August ... 1916	1,846	728	106	.....	29'04	11'40	.....	57'4
August ... 1915	1,703	803	117	956	27'00	12'72	15'12	68'7

No. 8.—Health of the Metropolis—August, 1916.

In calculating the averages for previous five years, due allowance has been made for increase in population.

Particulars.	August, 1916.	Average of August, for previous five years.	Causes of Death.	August, 1916.	Average of August, for previous five years.
Births	1,846	1,881	Pulmonary Diseases...	105	111
Deaths	728	767	Diseases of the Heart	94	81
			Cancer	65	57
Illegitimate Births	110	153	Developmental Diseases of	57	66
Deaths under 1	106	116	Infants.		
" 1-4	55	52	Bright's Disease (Acute and	53	52
" 5-64	360	373	Chronic).		
" 65 and over	207	226	Phthisis	33	46
Annual Rates per 1,000 of			Senility	32	38
Population—			Epidemic Diseases	30	47
Births	29'04	29'58	Hæmorrhage of the Brain, &c.	27	30
Deaths	11'40	12'06	Accident	25	30
Illegitimate Births	1'68	2'41	Diarrhœa and Enteritis	11	18
Deaths under 1 per 1,000 Births	57	62			

No. 9.—Principal Causes of Death—Six Months, January to June—1916 and 1915.

Causes of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
	1916.			1915.	1916.			1915.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.
General Diseases—								
Typhoid Fever	21	32	53	43	88	73	161	141
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	7	2	9	7	24	20	44	22
Scarlet Fever	5	8	13	10	24	38	62	17
Whooping-cough	10	13	23	9	20	19	39	24
Diphtheria and Croup	36	32	68	49	95	104	199	155
Influenza	3	4	7	11	27	17	44	49
Dysentery	3	...	3	4	16	8	24	26
Other Epidemic Diseases	7	4	11	6	17	11	28	20
Purulent Infection, Septicæmia	1	5	6	8	14	11	25	19
Tetanus	3	4	7	7	13	7	20	19
Tuberculosis—Lungs	124	84	208	193	327	230	557	521
Other Organs	20	16	36	34	39	31	70	76
General	6	1	7	4	14	3	17	12
Syphilis	6	1	7	15	10	3	13	24
Cancer	151	187	338	336	388	353	741	692
Rheumatism	6	15	21	31	24	34	58	83
Diabetes	12	21	33	51	48	43	91	92
Exophthalmic Goitre ... ..	...	4	4	10	1	7	8	13
Anæmia, Chlorosis	18	31	49	45	35	48	83	74
Other General Diseases	17	14	31	34	70	33	103	94
Local Diseases—								
Meningitis	27	24	51	39	73	46	119	76
Diseases of Spinal Cord	29	17	46	32	56	26	82	74
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	78	86	164	160	193	168	361	355
General Paralysis of Insane	24	4	28	25	56	36	92	33
Convulsions of Infants	12	8	20	24	31	6	37	82
Other Nervous Diseases	27	42	69	55	70	81	151	156
Acute Endocarditis	13	10	23	34	30	26	56	56
Organic Diseases of Heart	217	187	404	315	541	357	898	753
Other Diseases Circulatory System	68	58	126	113	149	92	241	231
Bronchitis	40	58	98	81	120	104	224	217
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia	154	101	255	236	357	223	580	469
Other Diseases Respiratory System	33	25	58	48	75	48	123	131
Diseases of Stomach	13	19	32	24	54	55	109	70
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2)	168	134	302	192	431	356	787	495
" " (over 2)	29	33	62	47	116	91	207	176
Appendicitis	13	13	26	42	42	35	77	91
Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction	22	22	44	42	53	40	93	76
Cirrhosis of Liver	25	12	37	46	55	16	71	82
Other Diseases Digestive System	27	24	51	69	70	67	137	129
Nephritis	168	84	252	226	303	157	460	418
Other Diseases Urinary System	40	11	51	60	97	14	111	131
Diseases of Genital Organs ... ..	...	20	20	24	...	36	36	39
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	64	64	46	...	140	140	129
Diseases of Skin, &c.	7	8	15	22	22	22	44	47
Diseases of Bones, &c. ... ..	...	3	3	4	3	5	8	10
Congenital Malformations	24	19	43	42	59	42	101	106
Diseases of Early Infancy	165	136	301	291	436	340	776	774
Senility	79	90	169	156	348	266	614	551
Violence—								
Suicide	32	14	46	59	80	23	103	128
Accident	121	36	157	148	392	102	494	470
Homicide	8	2	10	16	19	3	22	26
Wounds in Battle	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	...
Not Classed (Open Verdict)	22	2	24	11	40	4	44	33
Ill-defined Causes	8	8	16	25	71	35	106	86
Total	2,150	1,852	4,002	3,661	5,737	4,155	9,892	8,873

Approximate Mean Annual Death-rate per 1,000 of Population—

	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
1911-1915	10.08	..	..	..	9.93
1916	10.49	..	..	..	10.63

No. 10.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, 1910 to 1915-16.

Article.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914-15.	1915-16.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale, Beer, &c. ...	139,454	175,172	219,759	203,738	145,665	96,227
Animals ...	206,324	249,707	123,535	86,131	86,719	*
Apparel and Attire ...	1,020,159	1,187,559	1,386,299	1,420,595	1,147,486	7,143,499
Piece Goods ...	3,527,673	3,517,300	3,695,338	3,588,877	3,510,842	
Boots and Shoes ...	174,897	161,230	238,572	271,566	296,099	167,780
Cordage and Twines ...	276,299	316,712	329,318	321,099	308,242	357,410
Drugs, Chemicals & Medicines	312,246	370,391	395,173	421,918	463,207	*
Fish—all kinds ...	195,516	220,134	283,442	273,647	296,693	399,854
Fruits and Vegetables ...	122,580	190,789	186,608	272,253	230,537	*
Furniture ...	94,591	128,235	151,496	137,882	71,606	*
Glass and Glassware ...	178,734	220,242	248,169	279,927	220,968	*
Gold—Coined and Uncoined...	520,236	1,077,716	1,048,792	1,043,577	303,131	439,191
Grain—Rice ...	113,081	130,143	164,197	156,068	87,035	*
Hats and Caps ...	151,129	164,130	207,178	214,587	197,164	221,666
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	488,028	459,330	664,159	761,461	405,807	599,139
Plate and Sheet ...	527,926	660,019	929,824	881,242	602,275	692,420
Leather ...	143,797	146,485	226,016	172,813	152,803	117,505
Machines and Machinery—						
Agricultural ...	215,103	213,407	211,236	195,214	208,864	180,285
Other ...	1,358,360	1,693,520	2,084,877	2,358,901	1,939,433	1,509,381
Metal Manufactures ...	1,398,832	1,762,548	2,067,678	2,058,655	1,695,533	1,569,120
Oil—Kerosene... ..	161,115	149,020	163,366	188,572	176,265	196,670
Spirits ...	472,686	548,034	584,094	650,036	625,328	560,143
Sugar ...	307,794	337,797	558,448	334,927	121,569	1,005,018
Tea ...	560,475	540,761	613,084	600,097	709,289	912,618
Timber ...	820,125	1,163,628	1,347,729	1,340,431	1,141,888	883,649
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	373,364	434,564	519,871	609,570	514,525	652,050
Wool ...	2,676	3,058	1,543	3,296	3,938	*
Other Articles... ..	9,375,793	11,121,797	13,653,829	13,503,583	11,600,332	15,685,023
Total ...	£ 23,238,993	27,343,428	32,303,630	32,350,663	27,323,243	33,388,648

* Not yet available.

No. 11.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea, 1913 to 1915-16.

Article.	1913.		1914-15.		1915-16.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£		£
Animals, Living ...	.....	78,832	.....	36,040	... ..	120,559
Butter ... lb.	21,957,516	988,143	23,336,327	1,166,919	4,128,433	254,793
Coal ... tons	2,097,097	1,120,167	1,370,989	719,809	927,225	506,361
Copper, Ingots, & Matte ...	.....	1,977,344	.....	1,654,384	.....	3,128,461
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	.....	1,335,763	.....	1,250,427	.....	9,179,606
Grain—Wheat ... cental	8,550,880	2,723,209	1,606,284	535,856	5,556,733	2,766,759
Flour ... "	1,149,589	509,961	412,830	211,488	908,761	594,124
Leather ...	.....	380,927	.....	594,491	.....	563,914
Meats—Beef ... lb.	18,172,575	247,934	23,626,403	444,561	784,000	18,509
Mutton and Lamb lb.	89,459,779	1,215,878	96,443,522	1,642,966	26,443,085	543,753
Rabbits & Hares prs.	6,940,965	373,633	7,546,446	393,179	9,501,107	607,711
Oil—Cocoanut ... cwt.	39,534	85,547	84,619	174,904	82,165	163,900
Ores ...	.....	404,892	.....	239,853	.....	474,521
Skins—Hides ...	.....	910,609	.....	811,344	.....	328,884
Sheep ... No.	2,105,178	439,525	3,371,082	520,609	3,447,412	448,255
Rabbit and Hare lb.	4,872,907	310,694	4,259,797	155,471	4,352,640	210,935
Other ...	.....	612,812	.....	188,257	.....	319,240
Silver, Lead, Conc'ntrates, &c	.....	2,071,754	.....	2,005,252	.....	2,499,743
Tallow ... cwt.	654,776	1,002,076	549,951	790,015	128,570	227,881
Timber ...	.....	277,223	.....	218,738	.....	178,638
Tin, Ingots ... cwt.	40,148	407,381	12,612	93,163	38,946	324,929
Wool—Greasy ... lb.	228,999,334	9,171,423	203,460,397	7,800,718	262,244,342	13,891,302
Scoured ... lb.	33,809,532	2,528,435	34,914,013	2,465,978		
All other Articles ...	.....	3,665,627	.....	3,992,603	.....	3,623,755
Total ...	£	32,839,789	.....	28,107,025	.....	40,976,533

No. 12.—Imports Oversea during August, and during the two months,
July and August, 1916.

Article.	August.		July and August.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale, Beer-Bottle gal.	34,201	£ 7,229	63,735	£ 13,019
Bulk ... .. "	...	...	...	...
Apparel and Attire ... ..	...	90,648	...	229,875
Socks and Stockings ... ..	...	43,941	...	92,943
Bags and Sacks—Bran, Chaff, &c. ... doz.	25,750	8,155	51,000	17,849
Corn and Flour	104,755	35,422	149,080	51,807
Woolpacks No.	248,200	35,261	434,350	65,780
Other doz.	1,972	450	3,785	913
Bags, Purses, n.e.i. ... ..	...	13,309	...	22,449
Blankets and Blanketing ... ..	...	9,762	...	19,384
Books (printed), &c. ... ..	...	16,768	...	33,861
Boots and Shoes ... ..	...	15,351	...	34,273
Bullion—Gold—Bar, Ingot, &c. ... oz.	...	...	10,077	39,957
Silver—Bar, Ingot, &c. ... ..	...	...	108	16
Canvas and Duck ... ..	...	18,826	...	56,929
Carpets and Carpeting ... ..	...	17,243	...	37,733
Cement (Portland) cwt.	1	2	21	5
Clocks and Watches ... ..	...	13,962	...	30,312
Cocoa and Chocolate lb.	250,950	15,864	608,654	43,558
Confectionery, n.e.i.	128,467	7,489	257,105	15,399
Copper—Pipes and Tubes (plain) ... cwt.	192	1,615	256	2,369
Copra "	30,033	30,284	72,755	75,136
Cordage and Twines—Sewing Silks, &c. ...	...	36,452	...	53,218
Counterpanes, Table Covers, Cosies, Cushions, &c. ...	...	19,610	...	38,870
Cutlery, n.e.i. ... ..	...	10,630	...	23,376
Drugs and Chemicals—Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	1,522	5,891	1,762	13,370
Other, free ... ..	...	25,004	...	48,958
Earthenware, &c. ... ..	...	11,100	...	21,343
Electrical Articles—Cable and Wire, covered ... cwt.	3,162	21,780	9,232	54,799
Fancy Goods ... ..	...	12,835	...	26,468
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	452,403	23,461	641,767	28,988
Floor Cloths and Coverings ... ..	...	28,657	...	54,275
Fruits, Fresh—Apples cntl.	12	8	12	8
Bananas "	22,427	12,583	58,661	29,418
Other ... .. "	...	...	67	18
Furniture ... ..	...	2,611	...	5,664
Gloves ... ..	...	8,163	...	15,780
Grain—Maize cntl.	9,045	3,538	9,949	3,889
Oats "	45	20	90	40
Rice "	2,308	1,509	3,839	2,536
Hats and Caps ... ..	...	21,017	...	37,945
Hessians ... ..	...	14,004	...	14,004
Instruments—Kinematographs, &c. ...	...	14,059	...	41,062
Pianos No.	525	12,189	757	19,118
Parts ... ..	...	1,374	...	3,293
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee ... cwt.	63,527	47,892	109,392	88,161
Girders, Beams, &c. "	2,670	1,661	10,341	6,962
Pig "	11,214	3,614	16,243	4,981
Plate and Sheet—Galvanised "	21,652	35,212	67,459	112,415
Not galvanised "	15,437	13,584	43,801	31,784
Jewellery ... ..	...	10,593	...	18,598
Precious Stones, unset ... ..	...	21,709	...	33,531
Leather ... ..	...	13,591	...	27,233
Machines and Machinery—Agricultural	...	13,944	...	24,251
Electrical ... ..	...	32,938	...	65,846
Engines ... ..	...	6,627	...	23,112
Mining ... ..	...	1,262	...	1,594
Motive Power ... ..	...	3,257	...	12,403
Sewing ... ..	...	14,352	...	19,905
Other ... ..	...	95,635	...	180,366

No. 12.—Imports Oversea during August, and during the two months,
July and August, 1916—*continued.*

Article.	August.		July and August.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£
Matches gross boxes	30,202	5,422	71,707	11,593
Medicines ... ..	...	21,567	...	39,954
Metals, Manufactures—Pipes and Tubes ...	...	23,883	...	56,320
Wire ... ..	...	24,300	...	39,162
Wire Netting ... ..	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous ... ..	...	92,335	...	182,355
Oils in Bulk—Benzine gal.	1,323,208	98,028	1,323,208	98,028
Benzoline, &c.	315,888	22,474	315,888	22,474
Kerosene	19,480	792	19,480	792
Lubricating (Mineral)	490,594	22,948	609,901	24,868
Paints and Colours (prepared for use) ... cwt.	5,641	12,738	12,765	29,064
Paper—Printing ... ..	...	51,338	...	79,625
Writing ... ..	...	26,778	...	46,991
Piece Goods—Cotton, Linen ... ..	...	305,893	...	604,400
Flannels ... ..	...	3,828	...	25,668
Horsehair Cloth ... ..	...	1,583	...	3,472
Rubbered Waterproof ... ..	...	1,561	...	2,378
Silk ... ..	...	86,706	...	168,521
Velvets, Velveteens ... ..	...	37,391	...	86,905
Woollens... ..	...	121,654	...	238,157
N.E.I. ... ..	...	13,397	...	31,615
Other ... ..	...	10,380	...	17,626
Rails, Fishplates, &c. ... ..	...	1,124	...	5,040
Rubber Manufactures ... ..	...	50,956	...	123,885
Specie—Bronze ... ..	...	...	...	...
Gold ... ..	...	...	...	...
Silver... ..	...	5,775	...	5,775
Spirits—Brandy, Bottled... .. gal.	9,001	8,704	15,253	15,569
Brandy, Bulk	17,866	9,417	18,697	9,948
Gin—British	2,760	1,193	8,063	2,769
Hollands, Geneva	483	132	6,296	2,247
Schnapps	12,690	5,234	15,930	7,110
Rum, Bottled	251	228	251	228
Rum, Bulk	976	422	1,952	844
Whisky, Bottled	3,262	2,664	7,185	5,819
Whisky, Bulk	72,505	47,310	152,889	97,636
Stationery ... ..	...	15,036	...	29,392
Sugar—Cane cwt.	195,543	175,735	195,579	175,783
Tea lb.	1,419,668	63,896	2,815,538	130,135
Timber—Dressed, n.e.i. sup. ft.	170,138	3,521	354,808	6,019
Logs, not sawn	30,801	949	118,009	1,530
N.Z. White Pine	2,386,303	15,433	6,221,596	38,799
Undressed, n.e.i.	7,718,525	50,280	17,338,442	125,788
Tobacco—Manufactured, n.e.i. lb.	65,910	6,208	121,306	9,877
Unmanufactured	89,835	4,222	140,618	8,869
Cigars	5,565	4,872	10,229	8,118
Cigarettes	9,380	3,523	17,399	6,355
Tools of Trade, not being machines ... ..	...	19,962	...	37,437
Trimmings and Ornaments ... ..	...	23,903	...	39,585
Vehicles—Bicycles, &c, and parts ... ..	...	8,965	...	18,281
Motor Car Bodies ... ..	...	20,408	...	30,095
Motor Car Chassis ... ..	...	75,910	...	119,567
Other Vehicles and parts ... ..	...	15,974	...	33,334
Wines—Sparkling... .. gal.	357	780	1,311	2,747
Still, bottle	1,037	893	1,451	1,172
Still, bulk	227	75	1,022	328
Yarns ... ..	...	25,385	...	56,393
All other Articles ... ..	...	569,613	...	1,045,005
Total ... ..	...	£3,207,645	...	£6,080,596

No. 13.—Exports Oversea during August and during the two months, July and August, 1916.

Article.	1916.				1916.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.
	August.				July and August.			
Ale, Beer—Bottle ... gal.	4,106	10,519	£ 688	£ 1,669	5,552	13,681	£ 913	£ 2,176
Bulk ... "	204	204	12	12	1,764	3,764	137	346
Ammonia—Sulphate ... cwt.	2,125	2,125	2,042	2,042	6,555	6,555	5,935	5,935
Animals, Living—								
Cattle, Ordinary ... No.	35	35	980	980	39	39	1,061	1,061
Horses, Ordinary ... "	12	12	370	370	56	56	1,432	1,432
Sheep, Ordinary ... "	52	52	119	119	149	149	322	322
Sheep, Breeding ... "	184	184	4,200	4,200	192	204	4,505	4,625
Apparel and Attire ...	...	...	11,782	14,840	...	...	20,666	26,047
Biscuits ... lb.	338,250	339,469	4,197	4,264	687,658	688,877	9,475	9,545
Boats, Launches, &c. ... "	...	...	263	283	...	...	795	878
Bones ... cwt.	420	420	300	300	1,423	1,423	932	932
Books (Printed), ...	...	...	922	2,363	...	...	1,907	4,494
Boots, Shoes—Leather ...	...	...	1,633	1,889	...	...	3,803	4,700
Bullion—								
Gold—Bar, Ingot, &c. ... oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
In Matte ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver—Bar, Ingot, &c. ... "	5,797	5,797	686	686	72,426	72,426	9,558	9,558
In Matte ... lb.	112,250	112,250	14,424	14,424	296,116	296,116	37,545	37,545
Butter ... "	13,381	13,605	975	992	18,171	18,395	1,329	1,346
Cheese ... "	6,254	14,707	316	653	9,267	17,720	471	808
Coal ... tons	63,987	63,987	35,403	35,403	130,898	130,898	72,229	72,229
Coke ... "	4,033	4,033	5,515	5,515	7,740	7,740	10,435	10,435
Concentrates—								
Silver, Silver-Lead ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tin ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zinc ... "	27,600	27,600	6,107	6,107	27,600	27,600	6,107	6,107
Other ... "	119	119	1,375	1,375	199	199	2,508	2,508
Confectionery ... lb.	16,245	16,963	685	775	22,834	25,888	1,026	1,252
Copper—Ingots ... cwt.	75,874	87,474	420,973	479,073	121,500	133,100	652,268	710,468
In Matte ... "	5,470	5,470	22,701	22,701	11,480	11,480	52,851	52,851
Drugs, Chemicals, n.e.i. ...	...	...	2,027	3,212	...	...	3,030	5,236
Fruits, Dried—Currants ... lb.	383,280	383,280	8,073	8,073	503,816	503,872	10,766	10,768
Sultanas ... "	...	816	...	32	7,322	8,166	224	257
Fruits, Fresh—Apples ... cntl.	1,209	1,209	921	921	2,099	2,099	1,630	1,630
Citrus ... "	4,067	4,067	3,850	3,850	5,943	5,943	6,800	6,800
Furniture ...	...	...	592	915	...	...	1,628	2,005
Glue Pieces, Sinews ... cwt.	1,609	1,609	1,014	1,014	2,757	2,757	1,679	1,679
Glycerine, unrefined ... lb.	...	...	...	...	135,925	135,925	4,097	4,097
Grain—Maize ... cntl.	109	109	47	47	253	253	106	106
Oats ... "	47	47	17	17	94	94	36	36
Wheat ... "	731,207	731,207	352,992	352,992	1,588,167	1,588,167	758,316	758,316
Bran, Pollard, Sharps ... "	8,185	8,185	2,612	2,612	15,819	15,819	5,326	5,326
Flour (Wheaten) ... "	161,108	161,108	91,153	91,153	314,603	314,603	178,245	178,245
Hair—Other ... lb.	10,687	10,687	1,192	1,192	70,756	70,756	3,015	3,015
Hats, Caps, Bonnets ...	...	...	432	1,590	...	...	664	2,729
Hay and Chaff ... cwt.	741	741	178	178	875	875	221	221
Hoofs ... "	113	113	50	50	478	478	242	242
Horns ...	...	...	80	80	...	...	2,727	2,727
Jams and Jellies ... lb.	373,280	373,304	7,513	7,514	398,878	400,031	8,034	8,060
Jewellery ...	...	...	...	962	...	...	...	1,350
Precious Stones, unset ...	...	...	896	896	...	...	1,264	1,264
Lard ... lb.	10,020	10,020	399	399	14,973	15,365	601	613
Lead—In Matte ... cwt.	31,280	31,280	35,120	35,120	79,680	79,680	86,952	86,952
Pig ... "	85,338	85,338	122,661	122,661	148,981	148,981	214,838	214,838
Sheet and Piping ... "	417	1,418	729	2,364	1,502	2,503	2,718	4,293
Leather ...	...	...	39,595	40,568	...	...	78,022	82,695
Leather Manufactures, n.e.i. ...	...	...	1,227	1,503	...	...	1,959	2,315
Manures—Bonedust ... cwt.	330	330	180	180	12,840	12,840	4,179	4,179
Superphosphates ... "	42,004	42,004	8,944	8,944	49,755	49,755	10,541	10,541

No. 13.—Exports Oversea during August and during the two months, July and August, 1916—continued.

Article.	1916.				1916.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.	Aus- tralian Produce.	Total.
	August.				July and August.			
Meats—Bacon, Hams ... lb.	20,731	20,826	£ 878	£ 882	29,589	30,233	£ 1,345	£ 1,373
Preserved by C.P.—Beef „	18,327	18,327	423	423	18,427	18,427	426	426
Mutton ... car.	523	523	626	626	4,199	4,199	5,415	5,415
Lamb ... lb.	24,508	24,508	1,089	1,089	204,037	204,037	2,168	2,168
Rabbits, Hares ... pr.	1,076	1,076	148,050	148,050	2,148	2,148	185,614	185,614
Potted, Concentrated ... lb.	36,380	36,380	3,264	3,351	71,432	71,432	9,523	9,633
Preserved in tins, &c. ... lb.	2,121,233	2,121,233	11,142	11,311	2,703,034	2,703,034	23,561	23,762
Medicines ...	245,910	249,293	2,762	5,821	487,170	491,141	4,847	9,738
Metals—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Antimony and Compounds ...	...	...	6,966	6,966	...	...	16,556	16,562
Metal Manufactures ...	...	...	6,962	14,578	...	...	11,121	23,727
Oils—Cocoanut ... cwt.	2,472	2,472	6,041	6,041	5,018	5,018	12,654	12,654
Onions ... „	2,809	2,809	852	852	4,898	4,898	1,407	1,407
Ores—Copper ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gold Ore, &c. ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Molybdenite ... „	...	...	...	...	145	145	3,345	3,345
Silver, Silver-Lead ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tin ... „	1,796	1,796	10,110	10,110	4,268	4,268	25,679	25,679
Wolfram ... „	1,379	1,379	12,389	12,389	3,343	3,343	29,850	29,850
Other ... „	6,522	6,669	2,583	4,211	6,840	6,987	5,562	7,190
Potatoes ... cwt.	3,210	3,210	1,256	1,256	5,392	5,392	2,245	2,245
Rubber Manufactures ...	...	...	1,005	2,501	...	...	2,161	4,265
Sausage Casings ...	...	...	6,706	6,707	...	...	9,844	9,850
Seeds ...	...	...	1,584	2,370	1	59	2,561	3,938
Skins and Hides—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hides (Cattle) ... No.	8,440	8,440	12,824	12,824	11,905	11,905	18,312	18,312
Hides (Horse) ... „	43	43	36	36	43	43	36	36
Rabbit, Hare ... lb.	373,449	373,449	27,068	27,068	502,996	502,990	37,378	37,378
Sheep, with Wool ... No.	145,206	145,206	36,079	36,079	236,349	236,349	63,143	63,143
Sheep, without Wool ... „	...	...	...	...	53,364	53,364	3,491	3,491
Other ... „	...	...	40,902	40,902	...	...	65,935	65,935
Soap—Toilet, Fancy ... lb.	8,951	10,283	614	735	18,561	20,514	1,298	1,478
Other ... „	196,049	196,049	3,637	3,637	437,041	437,383	8,420	8,425
Specie—Bronze ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gold ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver ...	...	...	...	700	...	...	...	1,400
Stationery ...	...	...	1,114	1,804	...	...	1,659	2,659
Sugar—Cane ... cwt.	243	1,617	269	1,573	263	3,489	295	3,474
Tallow, unrefined ... „	8,802	8,817	18,250	18,279	15,359	15,450	30,889	31,070
Timber—Dressed ... s. ft.	39,887	49,927	438	617	46,004	67,338	519	962
Undressed ... „	1,627,972	1,677,915	17,574	18,501	2,507,381	2,636,729	25,862	28,634
Logs, not sawn ... „	3,300	3,300	21	21	3,300	3,300	21	21
Tin Ingots ... cwt.	3,967	3,967	32,950	32,950	7,667	7,667	66,741	66,741
Tobacco—Manufactured ... lb.	8,712	88,157	925	7,716	14,287	146,160	1,551	12,717
Cigarettes ... „	4,593	6,276	1,143	1,791	6,222	9,059	1,555	2,596
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	68	102	98	177	176	226	249	367
Still, in bottle ... „	1,467	2,179	830	1,442	2,778	3,792	1,565	2,290
Still, in bulk ... „	21,979	21,979	4,091	4,091	23,802	23,802	4,590	4,590
Wood Articles—Casks, Shooks ...	...	...	395	395	...	...	1,243	1,243
Other ... „	...	...	267	1,472	...	...	600	1,940
Wool—Greasy ... bale	5,681	5,681	107,667	107,667	13,409	13,409	248,140	248,140
Scoured and Washed ... lb.	1,961,413	1,961,413	365,967	365,967	4,646,352	4,646,352	681,518	681,518
All Other Articles ...	13,381	13,381	631,453	742,779	25,636	25,636	894,381	894,381
	3,400,553	3,400,553	...	...	6,484,217	6,484,217	...	...
Total ... £	...	...	2,748,462	2,938,771	...	...	4,581,207	4,929,917

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian Produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 14.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1912-13.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	241,855	38,673	9,637	596,193	163,256	145,071	90,621
August ...	282,582	118,936	15,862	656,098	133,461	185,624	136,298
September ...	544,943	41,697	40,166	587,561	98,082	257,231	130,257
October ...	2,173,917	74,624	93,142	168,806	216,809	225,382	129,024
November ...	2,120,626	31,989	122,745	105,769	102,807	265,085	95,674
December ...	2,250,810	46,646	122,872	117,293	156,301	251,464	107,328
January ...	1,317,675	459,218	169,190	85,954	118,478	104,311	59,389
February ...	1,164,633	297,464	93,729	133,332	144,059	167,674	80,084
March ...	254,874	268,382	60,643	136,118	121,238	145,860	55,743
April ...	387,624	322,124	75,022	77,019	97,800	123,729	82,566
May ...	170,625	327,186	52,680	87,134	101,219	154,948	94,606
June ...	297,586	205,395	25,709	163,617	136,752	160,557	85,943
1913-14.	1,120,750	2,232,334	881,397	2,914,894	1,590,262	2,186,946	1,147,533
July ...	303,171	400,756	19,015	75,807	173,436	189,054	139,971
August ...	327,481	235,919	28,600	122,494	128,220	135,955	87,835
September ...	716,801	246,984	43,191	170,820	152,521	196,796	104,653
October ...	2,371,684	138,907	111,937	87,518	153,434	263,969	111,941
November ...	2,540,595	95,220	169,419	107,922	154,419	138,620	102,321
December ...	1,847,009	235,615	138,608	83,298	158,076	196,761	115,115
January ...	1,729,214	635,525	100,335	81,382	198,878	109,640	83,962
February ...	1,397,219	609,535	58,524	175,699	151,149	107,611	114,105
March ...	205,340	564,914	46,958	262,566	155,575	156,069	128,049
April ...	375,186	354,453	48,375	182,879	95,546	133,265	82,517
May ...	331,994	523,912	28,813	132,398	116,299	127,190	126,873
June ...	239,304	495,519	11,902	59,501	145,190	110,129	86,357
1914-15.	1,238,529	4,537,259	805,727	1,542,284	1,782,743	1,864,159	1,283,699
July ...	291,752	418,367	24,577	202,280	172,213	122,353	91,848
August ...	166,906	138,129	13,122	24,971	72,542	67,072	59,334
September ...	389,406	32,152	37,471	35,778	48,595	144,955	74,174
October ...	668,890	57,229	99,868	17,076	82,264	157,323	61,833
November ...	1,056,941	11,744	176,255	63,665	109,248	104,351	79,258
December ...	1,465,754	10,892	271,343	74,626	204,047	108,832	71,013
January ...	656,994	38,600	257,778	41,235	85,975	116,143	29,899
February ...	1,289,436	7,263	134,182	30,830	141,006	87,676	56,965
March ...	1,549,672	11,779	119,203	140,851	181,982	165,486	66,052
April ...	672,432	8,450	28,374	135,493	225,537	159,499	42,378
May ...	664,007	6,575	342	59,988	93,964	188,571	32,013
June ...	1,384,506	6,164	275	411,822	194,696	232,123	51,742
1915-16.	1,026,696	747,344	1,162,790	1,238,615	1,612,069	1,654,384	716,509
July ...	1,002,551	8,081	44	1,638,685	113,763	288,898	55,274
August ...	695,410	7,613	156	1,568,783	92,566	180,074	55,069
September ...	748,708	8,296	1,598	2,150,009	239,807	248,281	69,643
October ...	1,304,712	7,356	38,370	1,450,339	133,306	200,015	57,869
November ...	1,486,916	5,714	58,058	501,963	245,065	166,637	52,031
December ...	2,876,925	112,347	14,407	75,207	192,605	118,307	47,933
January ...	603,500	485,133	30,880	291,739	148,924	214,195	32,666
February ...	1,703,118	358,524	1,621	681,499	172,476	197,961	26,607
March ...	1,068,799	563,346	63,031	615,209	182,411	375,452	19,761
April ...	985,469	749,339	16,458	131,440	104,840	473,653	12,981
May ...	607,165	728,451	1,178	*	364,222	256,834	39,648
June ...	619,959	326,633	643	*	134,356	408,154	36,879
1916-17.	1,370,322	3,360,883	226,444	*	2,124,341	3,128,461	506,361
July ...	456,024	492,416	354	*	144,009	261,545	36,826
August ...	473,634	444,145	975	*	157,781	443,674	35,403

* Not available.

No. 15.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1906	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363	14,651,156	30,986,888	45,638,044
1907	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,905	32,894,073	48,774,978
1908	17,814,260	19,828,486	37,642,746	14,105,050	26,880,709	40,985,759
1909	17,146,943	20,888,019	38,034,962	15,792,608	26,044,789	41,837,397
1910	*12,623,428	23,238,993	†	*10,307,115	32,035,451	†
1911	†	27,343,428	†	†	32,161,401	†
1912	†	32,303,630	†	†	32,958,529	†
1913	†	32,350,663	†	†	32,839,789	†
(Jan. to June) 1914	}	†	†	†	15,738,313	†
1914-15		†	†	†	28,107,025	†
1915-16	†	33,388,648	†	†	40,976,533	†

* Information, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

† Not available.

No. 16.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	(+) Increase (-) Decrease in 1916-17.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	2,768,904	2,897,361	3,284,693	2,765,550	2,872,951	(+) 107,401
August ...	2,746,330	2,660,299	2,919,146	3,533,657	3,207,645	(-) 326,012
Total (2 months)	5,515,234	5,557,660	6,203,839	6,299,207	6,080,596	(-) 218,611

No. 17.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	(+) Increase (-) Decrease in 1916-17.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	2,151,681	2,294,446	2,264,258	3,915,380	†1,971,146	(-) †305,549
August ...	2,332,451	2,162,957	1,141,257	3,296,657	†2,958,771	(+) †1,230,897
Total (2 months)	4,484,132	4,457,403	3,405,515	7,212,037	†4,929,917	(+) †925,348

† Exclusive of gold.

No. 18.—Principal Articles Imported at Sydney during August, 1916.

(Compiled from returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Article.	Oversea.*		Interstate.			State.	
	Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Value.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.
					£		
Agricultural Implements	tons	1,097	20	123	3,571	.....	8
Ale, Beer, and Stout	...	419	.....	151	2,088	.....	5
Animals—Horses	No.	8	36	...	2,952	81	...
Horned Cattle	"	5	.....	.....	.....	1,579	...
Calves	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	637	...
Pigs	...	21	.....	.....	.....	4,495	...
Bacon and Hams	tons	1	.....	120	8,506	.....	457
Bananas	bchs.	64,545	8,282	...	1,017	.....	...
"	cases	4,101	685	...	299	1,584	...
Boots, Shoes, &c.	tons	123	459	48,807	.....	5	...
Bullion—Gold and Silver	cwt.	9 ¹ / ₈	6 ³ / ₄	...	32,969	.....	...
Butter	tons	.....	3	229	.....	1,334	...
Cement	"	1	3	.....	.....	.....	...
Candles, tapers, night-lights	...	13	14	578	.....	92	...
Chaff	tons	.....	134	555	9	...	...
Cheese	"	2	54	2,954	253	17	...
Coal	"	.....	.....	60,235	64,629	...	...
" (bunker)	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Confectionery	...	270	585	19,263	.....	2	...
Cordage, rope, twine, &c.	tons	5	381	178	71	10,130	1
Drapery	...	12	6,874	1,397	134,922	.....	73
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals	...	560	759	9	132	7,337	13
Earthenware	tons	1	929	31	520	6	15
Eggs (in shell)	...	.....	.....	35	927	.....	396
Fish, fresh or frozen	...	40	83	1,289	635	826	...
Oysters, fresh or other	...	2	.....	.....	.....	99	...
Flour	tons	3	191	2	2,208	.....	...
Fruit, fresh	cases	235	124,326	...	33,522	6,179	...
Furniture	tons	51	513	6,084	.....	123	...
Glass and Glassware	"	237	1,466	5	147	2,087	...
Grain—Maize	"	256	1,127	...	7,897	2,776	...
Oats	"	1	2,009	...	15,812	.....	...
Hardware	"	1,261	1,952	221	256	16,619	61
Hay	"	1	24	...	112	599	...
Hides and Skins	"	199	1,547	103,024	.....	432	...
Iron—Galvanized	"	718	.....	.....	30	...	...
Pig	"	410	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Jams and Jellies	"	14	388	10,884	.....	...	...
Leatherware	"	114	202	26,602	.....	23	...
Machinery and Machines	"	268	1,511	291	487	22,493	34
Matches and Match-making Materials	...	321	304	11,594	.....	39	...
Milk and Cream, preserved	...	98	371	20,500	.....	24	...
Molasses and Syrup	tons	.....	100	983	510	...	...
Melons, Pumpkins, Squashes	No.	.....	18,675	257	64,127	.....	...
Onions	tons	.....	763	3,632	.....	...	...
Oilmen's Stores	"	50	797	23	197	8,224	5
Potatoes	"	1	4,320	36,232	49	...	...
Saddlery	"	21	10	504	.....	1	...
Soap	"	29	1	99	2,868	.....	233
Specie	tons	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Spirits—Brandy	...	451	86	15,465	.....	...	...
Gin	"	307	24	3,364	.....	...	...
Rum	"	41	199	24,496	.....	...	...
Whisky	"	1,411	37	6,329	.....	1	...
Sugar	"	8	5,896	112,368	3,110	...	...
Tea	"	1,780	44	1,897	.....	1	...
Timber—Sawn	sup. ft.	10,956,010	813,770	8,498	2,803,204	...	...
Rough	"	100,000	196,447	1,890	1,135,780	...	...
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	tons	278	127	26,942	.....	...	...
Vegetables, fresh	"	.....	1,361	4	8,579	106	1
Waters, Cordials, &c.	"	84	106	1,227	.....	...	...
Wines	"	40	338	11,502	.....	90	...
Woodenware	"	243	109	1,341	.....	7	...
Wool—Bales and Butts	No.	24	4,704	92,128	462	...	...
Bags	"	5	.....	62	.....	...	...
Woollens	tons	415	24	3,104	.....	...	...
All other Articles	"	21,019	29,618	7,087	7,729	371,647	16,427
Total	...	52,155	16,618	1,301,828	.....	8,072	...

* The total oversea imports were valued at £3,088,162.

No. 19.—Shipping—all Ports.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Customs Department.)

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage Entered.		Tonnage Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1905	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,042,703	641,405
1906	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
1908	3,196	6,298,784	3,219	6,303,125	5,822,060	476,724	5,737,747	565,378
1909	2,861	5,870,034	2,767	5,689,426	5,388,231	481,803	5,254,376	435,050
1910	2,937	6,290,119	3,035	6,471,855	5,892,049	398,070	6,047,832	424,023
1911	3,127	6,822,135	3,146	6,833,782	6,427,442	394,693	6,424,865	408,917
1912	3,354	7,490,046	3,346	7,453,005	7,010,420	479,626	6,975,678	477,327
1913	3,393	8,117,501	3,375	8,071,101	7,800,389	317,112	7,744,422	326,679
Jan.-June, 1914	1,799	4,393,002	1,765	4,318,636	4,147,905	245,097	4,119,514	199,122
1914-15	3,000	7,051,503	3,059	7,219,914	6,892,390	159,113	7,004,886	215,028
1915-16	3,035	6,566,726	3,075	6,460,235	6,369,030	107,696	6,259,327	209,908
July-Aug., 1916	515	1,162,698	506	1,091,376	1,133,537	29,161	1,063,853	27,523
" 1915	560	1,201,297	566	1,157,637	1,174,661	26,636	1,123,417	34,220
Aug., 1916	252	587,630	265	573,832	578,815	8,815	558,632	15,200
" 1915	285	651,741	274	564,517	638,018	13,723	549,913	14,604

NOTE.—The shipping recorded in the above table is "Oversea" and "Interstate" only.

No. 20.—Shipping entered—Port of Sydney.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Year.	Description of Vessels.	Number of Vessels.			Net Tonnage.		
		Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.	Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.
1907	Steam ..	2,456	6,589	9,045	5,105,343	1,553,200	6,658,543
	Sailing ...	318	1,011	1,329	377,080	134,516	511,596
1908	Steam ..	2,460	6,469	8,929	5,205,883	1,596,569	6,802,452
	Sailing ...	190	904	1,094	169,339	135,783	305,122
1909	Steam ...	2,314	5,713	8,027	5,148,293	1,483,635	6,631,928
	Sailing ..	193	724	917	171,638	97,491	269,129
1910	Steam ..	2,292	5,700	7,992	5,398,910	1,474,145	6,873,055
	Sailing ...	173	679	852	174,789	89,464	264,253
1911	Steam ...	2,408	6,138	8,546	5,903,713	1,626,209	7,529,922
	Sailing ...	168	502	670	159,031	80,087	239,118
1912	Steam ...	2,747	6,417	9,164	6,580,862	1,738,343	8,319,205
	Sailing ..	110	401	511	120,072	54,782	174,854
1913	Steam ...	2,696	6,718	9,414	7,063,444	1,790,740	8,854,184
	Sailing ...	107	401	508	109,725	54,876	164,601
Jan.-June, 1914	Steam ...	1,371	3,278	4,649	3,722,136	881,795	4,603,931
	Sailing ...	65	167	232	80,675	25,971	106,646
1914-15	Steam ...	2,452	6,640	9,092	6,290,718	1,761,927	8,052,645
	Sailing ...	70	304	374	67,980	43,708	111,688
1915-16	Steam ..	2,321	6,571	8,892	5,589,677	1,762,430	7,352,107
	Sailing ...	152	241	393	136,511	46,659	183,170
July-Aug., 1916	Steam ..	391	1,164	1,555	995,284	300,685	1,295,969
	Sailing ..	31	42	73	25,917	9,756	35,673
" 1915	Steam ...	410	1,179	1,589	1,001,089	318,477	1,319,566
	Sailing ...	26	58	84	21,810	9,299	31,109
August, 1916	Steam ...	189	600	789	496,467	150,186	646,653
	Sailing ...	11	19	30	7,510	4,473	11,983
" 1915	Steam ...	221	603	824	557,777	164,336	722,113
	Sailing ...	9	25	34	12,271	4,090	16,361

NOTE.—"Oversea and Interstate" shipping includes the trips and tonnages of vessels which proceed to Newcastle for bunker coal, which return to Sydney, but which do not then report at the Customs.

No. 21.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country	1890.	1895.	1900.	1905.	1910.	1913.	1914-15.
Imports.							
Australian States	£ 10,049,648	£ 6,758,140	£ 10,164,080	£ 14,938,885	£ 12,623,428*	£ †	£ †
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	8,602,288	14,385,633	18,107,138	15,367,746
Canada...	18,784	61,742	114,321	73,443	356,593	675,502	944,518
Fiji ..	99,853	27,890	60,831	43,232	161,894	403,623	247,650
Hong Kong ...	271,730	181,529	67,928	89,351	95,450	165,664	151,710
India and Ceylon	239,070	306,932	601,741	717,948	1,135,359	1,616,174	1,631,131
New Zealand ...	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	1,369,001	1,180,011	1,632,184	1,151,271
South Africa ...	55	34	1,013	5,256	20,312	53,350	25,550
Straits Settlements	27,148	14,074	40,391	82,830	132,245	153,791	231,731
Other British ...	6,685	18,820	118,929	67,165	158,494	103,753	188,324
Belgium	130,819	150,288	147,661	222,994	555,298	1,078,518	263,510
China ...	241,840	133,870	190,456	28,631	38,720	41,655	53,918
France ...	117,871	76,663	270,084	138,028	166,986	310,050	99,841
Germany ...	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	864,289	1,288,574	1,880,042	497,372
Italy ...	23,961	39,563	92,732	73,757	129,246	198,876	200,666
Japan ...	22,040	28,179	122,041	145,257	335,320	464,057	660,389
New Caledonia	83,920	28,345	28,509	18,399	39,242	33,184	37,411
Philippine Islands	4,414	15,211	49,240	27,854	37,492	51,281	41,841
South Sea Islands	40,214	54,436	107,488	103,142	164,530	95,028	\$
United States ...	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,636,069	2,150,953	4,251,541	4,320,904
Other Foreign...	178,295	63,099	448,279	176,189	706,641	1,035,252	1,207,760
Total, Oversea	12,565,356	9,234,275	17,396,991	14,485,123	23,238,993	32,350,663	27,323,243
Total, Imports	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	29,424,008	.....	.....	.....
Exports.							
Australian States	£ 10,990,593	£ 7,104,812	£ 9,979,190	£ 12,263,472	£ 10,307,115†	£ †	£ †
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	10,222,422	13,318,099	11,904,424	16,258,252
Canada ...	10	16,804	66,403	41,520	76,866	145,875	362,016
Fiji ...	98,951	86,420	183,579	245,152	410,926	379,476	379,326
Hong Kong ...	255,050	141,976	218,986	424,460	414,042	553,740	383,601
India and Ceylon	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,330,189	187,128	390,911	355,307
New Zealand	294,138	486,173	826,662	934,661	1,319,358	1,321,989	1,767,086
South Africa ...	1,014	3,266	755,487	371,727	289,812	339,207	753,499
Straits Settlements	34,347	24,507	39,898	95,995	246,513	467,796	211,588
Other British ...	27,469	31,268	49,586	89,969	136,742	162,640	368,113
Belgium	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	1,787,163	2,970,187	2,769,661	203,527
China ...	1,037	7,943	68,004	318,159	64,192	114,121	50,546
France ...	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,570,246	4,232,137	4,649,474	610,879
Germany ...	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,771,396	4,934,474	3,659,676	150,619
Italy ...	24,498	63,509	61,132	176,770	234,419	510,433	570,572
Japan ...	7,156	54,242	133,989	377,451	524,598	1,113,915	1,573,184
New Caledonia	193,396	71,344	179,761	135,446	115,458	144,107	158,794
Philippine Islands	16,410	18,603	88,043	183,853	226,134	192,675	129,591
South Sea Islands	45,290	68,713	126,834	141,381	214,651	249,488	\$
United States ...	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	602,145	865,326	1,831,470	2,721,910
Other Foreign...	225,362	285,110	468,999	698,429	1,254,389	1,938,711	1,098,615
Total, Oversea	11,055,344	14,829,973	18,185,326	24,518,534	32,035,451	32,839,789	28,107,025
Total, Exports	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	36,782,006	.....	.....	.....

* Imports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

† Exports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

‡ Not available.

§ Included in "Other Foreign."

No. 22.—State Revenue, August, and two months, July and August.

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	August.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July and August.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1915.	1916.		1914-15.	1915-16.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth Returns ...	190,607	191,489	882	381,214	382,978	1,764
Taxation (by State) ...	127,114	293,271	166,157	313,749	493,323	179,574
Public Lands ...	117,468	133,056	15,588	278,753	273,409	(-) 5,344
All other sources ...	65,552	77,195	11,643	137,302	145,634	8,332
Gross Total ...	500,741	695,011	194,270	1,111,018	1,295,344	184,326
Refunds ...	11,591	12,101	510	18,086	19,114	1,028
Net Total ...	489,150	682,910	193,760	1,092,932	1,276,230	183,298
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	715,988	775,900	59,912	1,398,532	1,479,550	81,018
Other ...	102,199	96,406	(-) 5,793	150,229	141,485	(-) 8,744
Gross Total ...	818,187	872,306	54,119	1,548,761	1,621,035	72,274
Refunds ...	5,942	2,374	(-) 3,568	17,755	13,095	(-) 4,660
Net Total ...	812,245	869,932	57,687	1,531,006	1,607,940	76,934
Gross Revenue and Receipts proper	1,318,928	1,567,317	248,389	2,659,779	2,916,379	256,600
Net Revenue and Receipts proper	£ 1,301,395	1,552,842	251,447	2,623,938	2,884,170	260,232

No. 23.—State Expenditure, August, and two months, July and August.

(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	August.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July and August.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1915.	1916.		1914-15.	1915-16.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	510,530	538,332	27,802	1,044,324	1,106,468	62,144
Business Undertakings ...	597,417	732,179	134,762	1,218,943	1,437,366	218,423
Interest ...	309,863	345,836	35,973	603,472	656,293	52,821
Sinking Fund and Redemptions ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Expenditure	£ 1,417,810	1,616,347	198,537	2,866,739	3,200,127	333,388

No. 24.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, two months, July and August.

Particulars.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
		£	£	£	£
Balance on 1st July ...	...	Dr. 363,931	Dr. 214,340		
Revenue proper—Governmental ...	...	1,092,932*	1,276,231*		
Business Undertakings ...	...	1,531,006*	1,607,940*		
Other Receipts ...	...	7,465	3,945		
Total Receipts ...	...	£ 2,631,403	2,888,116		
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...	...	1,044,324†	1,106,468†		
Business Undertakings ...	...	1,218,943†	1,437,366†		
Interest ...	...	603,472	656,293		
Sinking Fund Contributions ...	...	.....	.....
Bogan Scrub Clearing ...	...	.....	.....
Transfer to Public Works Account...	...	.....	.....
Public Works Fund, Grant in aid ...	...	.....	.....
Wheat Acquisition Act ...	...	15,000	50,000		
Meat Supply for Imperial Uses Act ...	...	59,779	38		
Other Payments ...	...	62,458	67,409		
Total Payments ...	...	£ 3,003,976	3,317,574†		
Balance at 31st August ...	...	£ Dr. 736,504	Dr. 643,798		

* As per Table No. 22. † As per Table No. 23.

No. 25.—State Revenue—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1915-16.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental.	Business Undertakings.	Total.	Governmental.	Business Undertakings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July	593,321	738,008	1,331,329	603,783	718,760	1,322,543	(+) 8,786
August	682,910	869,932	1,552,842	489,150	812,245	1,301,395	(+) 251,447
Total (2 months) ...	1,276,231	1,607,940	2,884,171	1,092,932	1,531,006	2,623,938	(+) 260,233

No. 26.—State Expenditure—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1915-16.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Undertakings.	Total.	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Undertakings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July	878,593	705,187	1,583,780	827,403	621,526	1,448,929	(+) 134,851
August	884,168	732,179	1,616,347	820,393	597,417	1,417,810	(+) 198,537
Total (2 months) ...	1,762,761	1,437,366	3,200,127	1,647,796	1,218,943	2,866,739	(+) 333,388

No. 27.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans, 1906-16.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Docks, Resumptions, &c.).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1906	85,641,734	529,251	365,442	256,780	215,549	1,367,022
1907	85,607,832	421,742	325,908	172,361	174,227	1,094,238
1908	87,635,826	1,363,314	370,819	138,561	92,635	1,965,329
1909	90,307,419	2,127,633	617,589	114,095	47,190	2,906,507
1910	92,525,095	2,471,284	578,111	158,732	38,513	3,246,640
1911	95,523,926	2,547,672	730,819	234,213	409,054	3,921,758
1912	100,052,635	3,448,127	1,344,211	413,998	284,767	5,491,103
1913	106,170,747	4,618,967	1,595,093	676,180	813,354	7,703,594
1914	116,695,031	5,714,964	1,942,497	862,927	606,456	9,126,844
1915	127,735,405	4,690,908	1,368,260	685,231	251,708	6,996,107
1916	130,514,018	4,972,520	1,533,089	994,331	673,164	8,173,104

NOTE.—Redemption of loans are not included in the Expenditure, nor are repayments to credit of votes.

No. 28.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1908-9 to 1915-16.

	1908-9.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and re-	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
turned to State	3,356,158	3,347,616	1,942,245	2,046,993	2,178,683	2,248,241	2,287,295	2,297,872
State	907,249	1,223,521	1,027,519	1,885,653	1,405,360	2,330,005	2,955,670	3,117,221
	£ 4,263,407	4,571,137	2,969,764	3,932,646	3,584,043	4,578,246	5,242,965	5,415,093
Land—								
Alienations	998,532	850,363	944,030	894,797	999,363	982,885	906,785	1,057,711
Revenue	724,429	818,869	810,427	774,451	836,585	846,002	791,296	807,602
	£ 1,722,961	1,669,232	1,754,457	1,669,248	1,835,948	1,828,887	1,698,081	1,865,313
Receipts for Services rendered	£ 365,923	375,951	419,388	383,669	412,727	453,016	408,390	414,671
Miscellaneous Receipts	274,600	356,488	317,082	647,672	495,427	482,649	561,093	502,328
Industrial Undertakings of the State ... ..	.....	.....	.....	20,281	32,885	6,300	10,358	9,060
Total Governmental	£ 6,626,891	6,972,808	5,460,691	6,653,516	6,361,030	7,349,098	7,920,887	8,206,465
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
Railway Commissioners	6,132,918	6,664,236	7,412,127	8,067,597	8,544,376	9,684,877	9,660,822	9,990,502
Sydney Harbour Trust	334,694	337,454	374,280	412,410	452,244	470,773	464,681	489,722
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage	486,393	512,615	537,355	584,654	633,599	713,056	796,338	844,664
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board	44,175	52,960	54,686	58,788	66,145	80,945	85,823	98,089
Total Business Undertakings	£ 6,998,180	7,567,265	8,378,448	9,123,449	9,696,364	10,949,651	11,007,664	11,422,977
Total	13,625,071	14,540,073	13,839,139	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)	*62,204	42,342	43,346	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076
Grand Total	£ 13,687,275	14,582,415	13,882,485	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518

* Inclusive of £10,000 repaid by Commonwealth on account of Money Order business.

	1908-9.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15	1915-16.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental :—								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Government*	755,058	807,929	801,754	897,215	950,895	1,022,732	971,435	1,057,769
Old-age and Invalidity Pensions and Administration	627,213	¶140,228	¶149,570	¶	¶	¶	¶	¶
Other Pensions, Retiring Allowances, &c.	†189,442	†191,896	†191,623	†180,346	†190,066	†219,844	†220,872	†226,803
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, including Electoral Office	4,648	||16,183	||35,504	||24,207	||35,077	||53,455	||24,112	§§
Parliamentary Allowances and Postage	31,236	31,337	30,102	31,450	43,175	43,150	42,658	§§
Local Government—								
Endowments, &c., to Municipalities	7,637	7,763	8,872	††6,995	††6,591	††5,058	††4,241	††4,481
" " Shires	198,136	274,052	286,842	††334,269	††274,713	††25,265	††277,002	††339,540
Administration, &c.	3,715	**1,125	**11,914	**1,675	**2,038	**3,087	**3,355	21,671
Agricultural, Pastoral, and Horticultural Societies	18,096	19,611	21,889	23,038	19,463	17,684	17,447	§§
Hospitals and Charities§	343,961	353,331	373,470	††380,022	††405,813	††489,838	††524,052	††599,769
Lunacy, including Master-in-Lunacy	156,559	164,990	177,486	††187,163	††238,156	††243,549	††245,259	††280,474
Public Instruction, including Reformatories and Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions	1,088,328	1,145,038	1,206,942	1,405,358	1,490,205	1,607,324	1,635,453	1,851,679
All other Services of the State under the Departments of Chief Secretary, Treasury, Attorney-General and Justice, Lands, Works, Mines and Agriculture	2,479,679	2,517,626	2,563,481	2,951,938	3,277,703	3,145,800	3,255,280	3,174,028
Total Governmental	£ 5,903,708	5,671,109	5,759,449	6,424,276	6,933,896	7,106,786	7,221,166	7,556,214
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners, Sydney Harbour Trust, Metropolitan and Hunter District Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage—								
Working Expenses	4,145,383	4,580,432	5,130,743	5,761,431	6,760,243	7,535,087	7,372,428	7,697,886
Interest on Capitals	2,360,999	2,374,103	2,512,524	2,662,470	2,737,358	3,003,468	3,336,466	3,671,210
Total Business Undertakings	£ 6,506,382	6,954,535	7,643,267	8,423,901	9,497,601	10,538,555	10,708,894	11,369,096
Sinking Fund Instalments	478,791	421,034	409,349	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504
Total Expenditure	12,888,881	13,046,678	13,812,065	15,285,098	16,882,099	17,710,973	17,935,748	18,931,814
Public Works Fund—Transfers in aid	809,561	911,177	630,153	638,729	559,698	336,541	499,408	589,818
Closer Settlement Fund—Transfers in aid	1,000,000	235,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total Expenditure and Transfers	£ 14,698,442	14,192,855	14,448,218	15,923,827	17,441,797	18,047,514	18,435,156	19,521,632
Advances made	28,079	37,531	22,469	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295
Grand Total	£ 14,726,521	14,230,386	14,470,687	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,100	18,516,179	19,553,927

* Excludes proportion chargeable to the four corporate bodies. † Includes pensions under Public Service (Superannuation) Act, No. 8 of 1903, 4 per cent. deductions from salaries, being paid to Revenue. § Includes expenditure on account of Bubonic Plague. ¶ Old-age Pensions transferred to Commonwealth. || Electoral Office included in Chief Secretary's Department. ** Excluding salaries, which are incorporated with Public Works Establishment. †† Exclusive of stores, and water supplied to hospitals, &c. ‡‡ Exclusive of grants from Public Works Fund. §§ Included in "all other services, &c."

No. 30.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1910-11 to 1915-16.

	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward ...	Cr. 989,707	Cr. 401,505	Cr. 61,363	Dr. 1,167,017	Dr. 793,978	Dr. 363,931
Net Revenue Proper ...	13,839,139	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442
Advances Repaid ...	43,346	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076
(A) Total Receipts for year	13,882,485	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518
Net Expenditure Proper ...	13,402,716	14,848,177	16,356,497	17,705,341	17,930,060	18,925,310
Payments to Sinking Fund.	409,349	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504
Advances—Treasurer's Account and Loan Votes ...	22,469	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295
Public Works Fund—Statutory payment of $\frac{2}{3}$ of Proceeds of Sale of Crown lands, less 20 per cent. ...	386,153	348,664	359,698	336,541	209,408	354,818
Payments in aid—						
Public Works Fund ...	250,000	290,065	200,000	.....	200,000	235,000
Closer Settlement Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Advance to Railway Loan A/c	.....	.....	75,000	.....	.....	.....
(B) Total Disbursements for year ...	14,470,687	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927
Surplus on Transactions of year—(A)–(B) ...	(–)588,202	(–)340,143	(–)1,228,380	373,039	430,048	149,591

(–) Denotes deficiency.

No. 31.—Revenue per head collected by the State, 1906-1916.

Year.	Governmental.					Business Undertakings.					Total Revenue
	Taxation.	Returned by Commonwealth	Land Revenue.	Other Revenue.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.	Water and Sewerage.	Harbour Trust.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1905-6	0 17 8	1 17 4	1 3 7	8 11	4 7 6	3 8 9	7 3	3 8	3 19 8	8 7 2	
1906-7	0 18 5	2 0 4	1 5 2	9 0	4 12 11	3 14 8	7 2	4 0	4 5 10	8 18 9	
1907-8	0 14 1	2 6 11	1 3 4	8 6	4 12 10	3 18 0	7 2	4 3	4 9 5	9 2 3	
1908-9	0 11 7	2 3 0	1 2 10	7 6	4 4 11	3 18 8	6 10	4 3	4 9 9	8 14 8	
1909-10	0 15 4	2 1 11	1 1 8	5 4	4 7 4	4 3 6	7 1	4 3	4 14 10	9 2 2	
1910-11	0 12 6	1 3 9	1 2 5	8 0	3 6 8	4 10 6	7 2	4 7	5 2 3	8 8 11	
1911-12	1 2 2	1 4 1	1 0 10	11 3	3 18 4	4 15 0	7 7	4 10	5 7 5	9 5 9	
1912-13	0 15 10	1 4 6	1 0 7	10 7	3 11 6	4 16 1	7 10	5 1	5 9 0	9 0 6	
1913-14	1 5 5	1 4 6	0 19 11	10 4	4 0 2	5 5 8	8 8	5 2	5 19 6	9 19 8	
1914-15	1 11 9	1 4 7	0 18 3	10 6	4 5 1	5 3 9	9 6	5 0	5 18 3	10 3 4	
1915-16	1 13 4	1 4 7	1 0 0	9 11	4 7 10	5 6 11	10 1	5 3	6 2 3	10 10 1	

No. 32.—Expenditure per head by the State, 1906-16.

Year.	Governmental.				Business Undertakings.				Total Expenditure.
	Public Instruction.	Interest and Sinking Funds.	Other Services.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.	Water and Sewerage.	Harbour Trust.	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1905-6	0 12 10	0 17 8	2 12 1	4 2 7	3 2 10	6 0	3 7	3 12 5	7 15 0
1906-7	0 12 8	0 17 6	3 4 11	4 15 1	3 5 11	6 3	3 6	3 15 8	8 10 9
1907-8	0 13 7	0 14 10	3 11 4	4 19 9	3 9 0	6 7	3 7	3 19 2	8 18 11
1908-9	0 13 11	0 15 10	3 15 3	5 5 0	3 13 1	6 9	3 7	4 3 5	9 8 5
1909-10	0 14 4	0 15 5	3 0 11	4 10 8	3 16 10	6 8	3 7	4 7 1	8 17 9
1910-11	0 14 9	0 14 10	2 13 6	4 3 1	4 2 6	7 1	3 9	4 13 4	8 16 5
1911-12	0 16 5	0 15 8	2 16 2	4 8 3	4 8 4	7 3	3 8	4 19 3	9 7 6
1912-13	0 16 9	0 15 9	2 16 10	4 9 4	4 15 9	7 3	3 9	5 6 9	9 16 1
1913-14	0 17 7	0 11 3	2 12 6	4 1 4	5 3 9	7 11	4 0	5 15 8	9 17 0
1914-15	0 17 7	0 10 6	2 14 11	4 3 0	5 2 6	8 5	4 1	5 15 0	9 18 0
1915-16	0 19 10	0 11 5	2 13 6	4 4 9	5 8 2	9 0	4 6	6 1 8	10 6 5

NOTE.—See Tables Nos. 28 and 29 for actual amounts received and expended.

No. 33.—Trading Banks—Liabilities.

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1906	1,461,640	244,059	15,773,885	23,325,730	39,099,615	213,335	41,018,649
1907	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
1908	1,713,314	283,567	18,847,680	24,769,305	43,616,985	357,320	45,971,186
1909	1,659,826	298,868	18,846,211	25,834,135	44,680,346	129,093	46,768,133
1910	1,801,807	370,885	23,512,712	26,642,873	50,155,585	100,348	52,428,625
1911	1,819,180	402,760	25,985,355	29,341,683	55,327,038	206,181	57,755,159
1912	226,151	418,504	27,937,492	30,292,076	58,229,568	177,130	59,051,353
1913	142,686	431,429	26,504,388	30,777,791	57,282,179	861,270	58,717,564
1914	111,939	510,811	29,944,028	32,983,409	62,927,437	1,177,365	64,727,552
1915	95,595	419,227	33,186,317	35,031,367	68,217,684	1,236,574	69,968,990
1916	87,316	529,211	43,610,878	36,435,167	80,046,045	2,120,888	82,783,460

† Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits which have already been included under the returns of Savings Banks—Table No. 36. On 30th June, 1916, the amount so included was £2,551,085.

No. 34.—Trading Banks—Assets.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1906	8,193,524	163,248	.....	1,833,991	32,056,712	297,107	395,989	42,940,571
1907	8,966,445	162,008	.....	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
1908	9,617,962	190,432	.....	1,783,694	37,968,766	348,516	487,604	50,396,974
1909	10,096,626	222,304	.....	1,791,040	37,109,453	344,069	419,509	49,983,001
1910	12,785,389	195,204	.....	1,824,349	37,482,907	407,089	607,367	53,302,305
1911	14,327,999	196,961	1,770,751	1,871,811	42,456,515	664,320	618,467	61,906,824
1912	12,116,947	196,110	1,992,519	1,930,319	47,449,649	293,103	488,699	64,467,346
1913	11,839,977	143,723	1,854,248	1,967,555	45,147,699	365,625	1,110,028	62,428,855
1914	15,364,463	120,338	1,845,189	1,953,111	47,765,084	498,760	1,571,433	69,118,378
1915	14,711,181	117,900	7,273,320	2,108,633	51,379,741	484,435	1,322,677	77,397,887
1916	11,570,443	134,935	13,073,103	2,255,032	59,101,909	504,809	2,284,894	88,925,125

No. 35.—Trading Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1904	...	...	...	177,797,335	1910	...	...	...	274,343,666
1905	...	...	...	189,826,381	1911	...	...	...	304,488,435
1906	...	...	...	220,860,512	1912	...	...	...	330,621,122
1907	...	...	...	234,169,822	1913	...	...	...	348,741,175
1908	...	...	...	227,736,243	1914	...	...	...	353,068,040
1909	...	...	...	240,645,737	1915	...	...	...	357,803,424
Total, 1st January to 28th August, 1916				...	...				£281,381,900
,, ,, ,, 30th August, 1915				...	...				229,977,724

No. 36.—Savings Banks.

Year ended 30th June.	Number of Depositors on 30th June.	Value of Deposits on 30th June.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited on 30th June.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1906	*379,631	*14,881,260	1,383,008	39 4 0	10 0 6
1907	408,859	16,338,051	1,456,791	39 19 2	10 15 3
1908	435,618	17,849,384	1,511,333	40 19 6	11 11 3
1909	444,930	19,022,151	1,172,767	42 15 1	12 1 6
1910	478,006	20,823,764	1,801,613	43 11 3	12 18 0
1911	522,251	23,381,014	2,557,250	44 15 4	14 1 5
1912	577,232	26,539,640	3,158,626	45 19 6	15 5 3
†1913	647,124	29,568,282	3,028,642	45 13 10	16 6 10
†1914	717,737	33,167,523	3,599,241	46 4 3	17 17 2
†1915	755,835	35,562,649	2,395,126	47 1 0	19 0 7
†1916	806,882	37,363,272	1,800,623	46 6 1	20 2 7

* Savings Bank of New South Wales at 31st December following.

† Includes returns from Savings Bank Branch of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

No. 37.—State Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1906	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
1908	3,473	45,683,484	2,229,295	14,251,052	3 1½	47,487,030
1909	3,623	47,612,666	2,075,626	15,074,144	2 9	52,051,556
1910	3,643	48,925,348	2,209,306	15,468,026	2 10¼	53,644,271
1911	3,761	50,971,894	2,351,144	17,006,697	2 9¼	60,919,628
1912	3,832	53,514,903	2,321,882	18,521,320	2 6	70,706,728
1913	3,930	57,653,778	2,104,104	19,184,247	2 2½	79,490,012
1914	3,067	61,204,869	2,332,421	20,549,695	2 3¼	86,328,421
1915	4,134	65,583,274	2,305,349	20,420,023	2 3	88,774,451
1916	4,188	68,825,592	2,344,910	21,556,034	2 2½	92,850,838
* June, 1916	4,188	68,825,592	429,456	5,423,311	1 7	23,920,162
* „ 1915	4,134	65,583,274	457,972	4,918,690	1 10¼	22,841,049

* Quarter ended 30th June.

No. 38.—State Tramways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Tramway miles run.	Net earnings per tram mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1906	126	3,669,096	186,400	16,309,907	0 2½	145,262,779
1907	129	3,669,524	180,754	16,620,434	0 2½	155,017,982
1908	133	3,732,991	202,929	17,521,410	0 2½	172,020,932
1909	151	4,252,731	222,005	18,853,621	0 2½	186,318,738
1910	166	4,668,797	201,981	20,579,386	0 2½	201,151,021
1911	190	5,121,586	221,682	22,541,429	0 2½	230,275,938
1912	195	5,664,324	249,980	24,362,219	0 2½	266,789,546
1913	208	6,699,305	182,376	26,954,767	0 1½	294,455,452
1914	212	7,628,653	265,131	28,415,476	0 2½	310,592,698
1915	220	7,970,293	374,774	26,842,974	0 3¼	289,282,845
1916	221	8,163,423	388,978	26,451,442	0 3½	292,021,774
* June, 1916	221	8,166,423	59,402	6,611,246	0 2	73,449,792
* „ 1915	220	7,970,293	81,313	6,610,891	0 3	71,279,310

* Quarter ended 30th June.

No. 39.—Area under Crop.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane Cut for Crushing.	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	Potatoes.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1905	1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,298	23,855	2,672,973
1906	1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	26,374	2,838,081
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,172	4,951	36,815	2,824,211
1908	1,390,171	160,980	75,762	9,916	542,761	4,644	31,917	2,570,137
1909	1,394,056	180,812	59,881	6,951	715,896	4,472	26,301	2,713,971
1910	1,990,180	212,797	81,452	6,480	630,664	4,561	35,725	3,174,864
1911	2,128,826	213,217	77,991	5,596	638,577	4,354	44,452	3,381,921
1912	2,380,710	167,781	71,047	5,244	654,149	4,260	43,148	3,629,170
1913	2,231,514	176,471	85,175	6,137	947,062	4,403	34,124	3,737,269
1914	3,205,397	156,820	103,416	6,198	801,130	4,498	38,725	4,568,841
1915	2,758,024	143,663	43,476	6,012	785,944	4,113	30,418	4,808,627
†1916	4,235,074	†	61,500	6,030	1,041,468‡	†	†	†

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped. † All particulars for 1916 are subject to revision.

‡ Particulars not available. § Exclusive of lucerne (52,582 acres for 108,934 tons in 1915).

No. 40.—Production of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£
1905	16,464,415	4,951,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	48,754	5,413,710
1906	20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	50,386	6,543,050
1907	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,574	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	114,856	7,517,550
1908	9,155,884	4,527,852	851,776	277,390	376,800	778,500	55,882	6,587,990
1909	15,483,276	5,216,038	1,119,558	144,760	730,014	736,262	71,794	8,318,900
1910	28,532,029	7,098,255	1,966,586	131,081	981,201	808,87c	100,143	10,908,320
1911	27,913,547	7,594,130	1,702,706	160,311	843,080	805,600	121,033	9,493,060
1912	25,088,102	4,507,342	1,155,226	147,799	728,474	850,210	75,166	9,748,820
1913	32,487,336	5,111,990	1,674,075	140,914	1,108,275	719,100	91,642	11,816,790
1914	38,020,381	4,453,309	1,835,406	185,970	955,047	561,100	106,849	12,377,650
1915	12,830,530	3,174,825	513,910	181,606	613,262	549,140	40,709	10,031,760
*1916	67,323,390	...	1,410,000	157,748	1,460,610	...	...	...

* See footnotes to Table No. 39.

No. 41.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£ s. d.
1905	9'3	25'6	16'1	20'43	0'84	175	2'04	2 0 6
1906	10'7	29'3	22'9	19'59	1'05	157	1'91	2 6 1
1907	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'34	1'36	230	3'11	2 13 3
1908	6'6	28'1	11'2	27'97	0'69	168	1'75	2 11 3
1909	11'1	28'8	18'7	20'83	1'02	165	2'73	3 1 3
1910	14'3	33'4	24'1	20'23	1'56	177	2'80	3 8 9
1911	13'1	35'6	21'8	28'65	1'32	185	2'72	2 16 2
1912	10'5	26'9	16'3	28'18	1'11	200	1'74	2 13 9
1913	14'6	29'0	19'7	22'96	1'17	163	2'68	3 3 3
1914	11'9	28'4	17'7	30'00	1'19	125	2'76	2 14 2
Av'ge for 10 years	11'1	30'0	19'2	23'53	1'15	175	2'45	2 15 3
1915	4'7	22'1	11'8	30'21	0'78	134	1'34	2 1 9
1916	15'9	...	22'9	26'17	1'40	...	...	...

No. 42.—Live Stock.

Period.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st Dec., 1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
" 1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
" 1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
" 1907	578,326	756,916	1,994,277	44,461,839	216,145
" 1908	591,045	777,149	2,178,785	43,370,797	215,822
" 1909	604,784	794,549	2,233,178	46,202,578	237,849
" 1910	650,636	866,030	2,274,277	45,560,969	321,632
" 1911	689,004	894,744	2,299,492	44,947,287	371,093
" 1912	716,457	852,782	2,188,052	39,044,502	293,653
" 1913	746,170	822,667	2,000,073	39,850,223	288,090
30th June, 1915	733,341	850,957	1,626,635	33,009,038	286,704

* The figures for the last eight years are made up as follow :—

Period.	Milch Cows.	Dry Dairy Cows	Heifers within 3 months of calving.	Total Dairy Cows.
31st Dec., 1907	506,395	206,828	43,693	756,916
" 1908	527,843	208,840	40,466	777,149
" 1909	566,378	189,507	38,664	794,549
" 1910	632,786	193,657	39,587	866,030
" 1911	638,525	218,593	37,626	894,744
" 1912	620,730	201,310	30,742	852,782
" 1913	600,420	189,769	32,478	822,667
30th June, 1915	426,173	344,247	80,537	850,957

No. 43.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1905	297,154,000	495,160	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,830	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	367,446,000	490,430	60,041,449	4,586,857	10,358,526
1908	338,129,000	420,630	61,380,876	4,763,360	9,488,299
1909	370,808,000	640,110	62,865,608	4,775,268	9,931,377
1910	415,338,000	742,200	76,624,830	5,191,089	12,620,067
1911	371,546,000	720,330	83,204,568	5,460,652	16,102,827
1912	326,804,000	568,500	76,609,528	5,454,685	16,526,376
1913	357,985,000	795,020	77,779,197	6,620,648	15,192,263
Jany. to June, 1914	131,810,000*	348,680*	42,427,000*	2,882,000*	6,587,000*
1914-15	318,935,000	711,850	84,134,280	6,356,627	15,327,048

*Partly estimated.

No. 44.—Persons employed permanently in Rural Occupations.

Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
1904	106,472	18,279	124,751	1910	123,769	22,573	146,342
1905	108,638	19,492	128,130	1911	126,548	24,632	151,180
1906	111,625	19,817	131,442	1912	129,174	25,204	154,378
1907	117,522	21,341	138,863	1913	127,414	24,218	151,632
1908	120,156	20,809	140,915	1914	128,029	25,428	153,457
1909	119,836	22,317	142,153	1915	122,506	23,789	146,295

No. 45.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter (Finest Quality).		Wool.		Tallow.
			Average Top.	Average Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
August, 1915	9	1 7	38 0
September, "	10 ³ / ₄	1 8	35 0
October, "	11	1 4	34 0
November, "	12 ³ / ₈	1 5 ¹ / ₂	37 0
December, "	13 ¹ / ₂	1 7 ¹ / ₈	42 4
January, 1916	†143 ¹ / ₂	...	13 ³ / ₈	1 6 ³ / ₄	43 0
February, "	†149	...	15 ¹ / ₂	1 8 ¹ / ₂	43 0
March, "	†158	...	14	1 6 ³ / ₈	42 3
April, "	...	16 15 9	†158	...	13 ³ / ₈	1 8 ¹ / ₄	42 6
May, "	...	16 13 4	†160	...	12 ³ / ₈	1 9 ³ / ₈	43 0
June, "	...	15 18 0	†160	...	13 ⁷ / ₈	1 9 ⁷ / ₈	42 8
July, "	61 6	...	†160	...	15 ¹ / ₂	1 10 ³ / ₈	41 6
August, "	72 3	17 1 9	§†168	...	14 ³ / ₈	1 10 ³ / ₈	41 10

* On account of the European war no quotations were given. † Average top price for Australian Butter (Finest Quality) only. No separate quote received for N.S. Wales Butter. ‡ No quotations. § Quotation for first week only, when limited supplies were available. For the balance of the month prices were purely nominal, and rose from 174s. in the second week to 178s. and 182s. in the third and fourth week respectively.

No. 46.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).	Flour (In 150 lb. bags).	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.	Hay (Oaten).
	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.
August, 1915	5 6	17 5 0	16 ² / ₂	17 ⁷ / ₂	5 2	5 2 ¹ / ₂	8 0 0
September, "	5 6	16 19 0	11 ² / ₂	13 ² / ₂	3 11	5 0 ³ / ₈	5 15 9
October, "	5 6	16 17 6	9 ⁶ / ₂	13 ² / ₂	3 3	4 10 ¹ / ₂	9 0 0
November, "	†4 8	11 17 6	9 ⁶ / ₂	15 ⁶ / ₂	3 3 ³ / ₈	†5 4 ³ / ₈	8 5 9
December, "	5 2 ¹ / ₂	11 17 6	9 ⁶ / ₂	15 ⁶ / ₂	3 3	†5 9	6 10 0
January, 1916	5 3 ¹ / ₂	11 17 6	9 ⁶ / ₂	15 ⁶ / ₂	3 4 ³ / ₄	†6 2 ¹ / ₂	4 17 6
February, "	5 3 ¹ / ₂	11 17 6	11 ² / ₂	14 ⁸ / ₂	3 1 ³ / ₈	†5 4 ³ / ₄	4 2 6
March, "	5 2	11 11 3	11 ⁰ / ₂	11 ⁴ / ₂	2 10 ¹ / ₄	5 0	4 7 0
April, "	4 10 ³ / ₄	11 5 0	10 ⁸ / ₂	10 ⁸ / ₂	2 9 ¹ / ₂	4 3 ⁵ / ₈	4 5 0
May, "	4 10 ³ / ₄	11 0 0	12 ⁰ / ₂	12 ⁰ / ₂	2 11 ³ / ₈	4 6 ³ / ₈	4 11 9
June, "	4 10 ³ / ₄	11 0 0	12 ⁰ / ₂	12 ⁰ / ₂	2 11 ³ / ₈	4 7 ¹ / ₂	4 11 9
July, "	4 10 ³ / ₄	11 0 0	10 ⁸ / ₂	13 ² / ₂	2 10 ¹ / ₂	4 6	4 16 3
August, "	4 10 ³ / ₄	11 2 6	9 ⁶ / ₂	12 ⁰ / ₂	2 9 ¹ / ₄	4 0 ⁷ / ₈	3 13 3
	Potatoes (Local).	Butter (Good Brands)	Cheese (Prime). ‡	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.	
	per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. s. d.	per doz. s. d.
August, 1915	7 2 6	19	11	10 ¹ / ₂	11 ³ / ₄	1 2 ¹ / ₄	1 3
September, "	5 18 0	15 ¹ / ₄	11	11	11 ³ / ₄	1 0 ¹ / ₄	1 1
October, "	10 6 9	15	11	12	11 ³ / ₄	1 1 ¹ / ₂	1 2 ¹ / ₄
November, "	11 5 0	15	10 ³ / ₄	12	11 ³ / ₄	1 2 ³ / ₄	1 3 ¹ / ₄
December, "	14 15 0	16	10 ¹ / ₄	12	10 ³ / ₄	1 4 ¹ / ₂	1 5
January, 1916	14 6 9	13 ⁵ / ₈	10	12	10 ¹ / ₄	1 2 ¹ / ₄	1 5
February, "	10 0 0	13 ³ / ₄	9 ¹ / ₂	12	10	1 5 ¹ / ₄	1 8
March, "	9 10 0	13 ¹ / ₂	9 ¹ / ₂	12	10 ¹ / ₄	1 7 ¹ / ₂	1 10 ¹ / ₂
April, "	7 7 0	13 ¹ / ₂	9 ¹ / ₂	12	10 ¹ / ₄	1 9 ¹ / ₄	2 2 ¹ / ₂
May, "	6 15 0	14	9 ¹ / ₂	12	10 ¹ / ₄	1 11 ¹ / ₄	2 5 ¹ / ₄
June, "	6 10 9	15	9 ³ / ₄	12	10 ³ / ₈	1 8 ¹ / ₂	2 1 ¹ / ₄
July, "	7 16 9	15 ¹ / ₂	10 ¹ / ₄	11	10	1 5 ⁷ / ₈	1 8 ¹ / ₄
August, "	7 5 0	15 ¹ / ₂	9 ³ / ₄	10 ³ / ₈	8 ³ / ₄	1 0 ³ / ₈	1 2

* Official price (ex trucks). † Imported only. ‡ New wheat. § Average official f.o.b. price for flour for home consumption. This includes 3¹/₄d. handling and commission charges; but city millers, handling grain for their own mills, obtain same for 1¹/₄d. per bushel less than the f.o.b. price. On March 25th the f.o.b. price was reduced to 4/10¹/₄ per bushel, so that since that date the price for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 9d. per bushel (on trucks), Sydney. ¶ Figures amended since last issue.

No. 47.—Gold produced, January to August, and Minerals exported, January to June.

Gold yield during eight months, 1916 and 1915.

Month.	1916.		1915.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to July	53,965	229,230	82,435	350,165
August... ..	5,683	24,140	8,398	35,670
Total for eight months ...	59,648	253,370	90,833	385,835

Exports of Minerals during the half-year, 1916 and 1915.

Exports.	Half-year, 1916.		Half-year, 1915.		Second Quarter, 1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£		£
Silver Ingots and Matte ... oz.	1,359,093	166,670	1,482,974	146,318	649,136	86,659
Silver-lead, Concentrates, &c. tons	96,323	1,137,349	132,852	981,674	64,205	809,112
Lead, in Matte	13,843	359,293	17,788	314,568	5,863	157,364
Zinc Concentrates	74,601	354,542	71,395	263,737	44,349	210,754
Copper Ingots, and Ore* ...	9,360	857,490	10,151	651,024	4,650	476,180
Tin Ingots and Ore*	1,427	229,164	792	96,869	780	128,610
Coal—						
To Australian Ports... ..	1,243,920	657,030	1,371,012	719,057	628,320	333,296
" Other	617,979	369,361	819,890	447,121	349,126	214,670
Total, Export of Coal	1,861,899	1,026,391	2,190,902	1,166,178	977,446	547,966
Grand Total ... £	.....	4,130,899	.....	3,620,368	.....	2,416,645

* Information respecting total value of copper and tin ore imported or transferred into this State is not available.

No. 48.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1914 and 1915.

Minerals.	1914.		1915.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£	£	£
Metallic—						
Gold oz. fine	124,507	528,873	132,498	562,819	33,946	.....
Silver	2,871,559	307,198	3,237,432	322,244	15,046	.....
Silver—Lead, Ore, Con- centrates, &c. ... ton	337,019	2,934,065	282,777	2,309,418	.....	624,647
Lead—Pig, &c.	25,989	370,106	30,395	689,439	319,333	.....
Zinc Spelter & Concentrates, ..	359,310	1,020,711	190,916	1,111,569	90,858	.....
Tin Ingots and Ore	2,317	267,130	2,188	266,780	.....	350
Copper, Matte, Ingots, and Ore	6,607	274,671	6,793	234,437	.....	40,234
Antimony and Ore	36	464	637	12,519	12,055	.....
Bismuth	15	2,837	18	4,981	2,144	.....
Wolfram	139	14,438	50	5,031	.....	9,407
Scheelite	57	5,852	33	4,004	.....	1,848
Molybdenite	61	11,451	32	16,937	5,486	.....
Platinum oz.	244	2,129	56	476	.....	1,653
Iron ton	75,150	254,257	76,318	267,000	12,743	.....
Iron Oxide	3,144	5,584	2,294	3,774	.....	1,810
Ironstone Flux... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	10,390,622	3,737,761	9,449,008	3,424,630	.....	313,131
Coke	304,800	213,069	417,753	313,241	100,172	.....
Kerosene Shale	50,049	27,372	15,474	12,890	.....	14,482
Alunite	3,040	12,160	1,420	5,680	.....	6,480
Limestone Flux	51,852	11,674	71,720	15,631	3,957	.....
Marble ... ..	.....	2,180	.....	4,187	2,007	.....
Diamonds carat	1,580	1,440	839	707	.....	733
Opal ... ..	.....	26,534	.....	6,403	.....	20,131
Sundry Minerals ... ..	.....	6,064	.....	8,433	2,369	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	10,038,020	.....	9,603,230	600,116	1,034,906
					Net decrease	434,700

NOTE.—The above table does not include lime and Portland cement, valued at £461,700 and £461,330 respectively, in 1914 and 1915. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 49.—Value of Minerals Produced, and Total Miners Employed.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.	Total Miners Employed.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	No.
1905	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081	38,932
1906	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716	42,546
1907	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290	43,758
1908	954,854	2,160,195	502,812	205,447	3,353,093	8,384,149	38,965
1909	869,546	1,653,615	424,737	211,029	2,618,596	7,403,210	36,405
1910	802,211	1,861,479	486,257	228,156	3,009,657	8,455,170	37,413
1911	769,353	2,442,764	590,102	307,089	3,167,165	9,409,519	37,017
1912	702,129	3,481,266	579,791	338,074	3,660,015	11,228,677	37,858
1913	635,703	3,808,125	598,733	421,292	3,770,375	11,651,407	38,880
1914	528,873	3,241,263	274,671	267,130	3,737,761	10,038,020	36,467
1915	562,819	2,631,662	234,437	266,780	3,424,630	9,603,230	31,411

No. 50.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of the whole year 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1915.			
August ...	1,729	1,838	1,414
September ...	1,689	1,787	1,425
October ...	1,682	1,764	1,474
November ...	1,737	1,865	1,600
December ...	1,801	1,933	1,677
1916.			
January ...	1,729	1,761	1,767
February ...	1,738	1,760	1,868
March ...	1,873	1,977	1,986
April ...	1,884	1,944	2,092
May ...	1,870	1,894	2,141
June ...	1,867	1,988	1,926
July ...	1,838	2,023	1,756
August ...	1,862	2,008	1,868

No. 51.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Persons Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1904	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,648,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905	3,700	56,111	16,064	72,175	8,031,948	5,191,350	30,028,150
1906	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,407,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
1907	4,432	65,953	20,514	86,467	9,155,772	6,650,715	40,018,301
1908	4,453	67,616	21,482	89,098	9,718,842	7,218,556	40,163,826
1909	4,581	69,184	22,518	91,702	10,330,724	7,665,125	42,960,689
1910	4,821	75,384	24,327	99,711	11,578,620	8,687,007	49,615,643
1911	5,039	82,083	26,541	108,624	12,510,600	10,047,662	54,346,011
1912	5,162	88,178	27,383	115,561	13,795,195	11,592,052	61,163,328
1913	5,346	93,036	27,364	120,400	14,861,676	12,683,384	65,672,495
*1914-15	5,271	90,301	26,161	116,462	16,833,973	12,654,446	68,220,573

* See also Table 52.

† Of this amount males received £11 285,518, and females £1,368,928,

No. 52.—Manufacturing Industries, 1914-15.

Class of Industry.	Establishments.	Persons Employed.			Salaries and Wages.
		Males	Female	Total.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	281	3,735	83	3,818	385,039
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	42	807	201	1,008	101,859
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	293	6,203	53	6,256	776,997
Working in Wood ...	664	8,112	73	8,185	890,237
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	568	26,087	320	26,407	3,391,462
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	757	11,685	3,705	15,390	1,709,597
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	998	7,370	17,499	24,869	1,785,377
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	457	6,752	2,378	9,130	1,067,648
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	13	324	30	354	44,653
Arms and Explosives ...	7	695	5	700	81,499
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	397	3,979	101	4,080	433,016
Ship and Boat Building ...	43	4,708	2	4,710	669,916
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	243	3,172	470	3,642	389,634
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	93	921	638	1,559	147,435
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	15	94	18	112	11,198
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	59	637	77	714	89,769
Heat, Light, and Power ...	238	3,683	38	3,721	523,234
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	24	407	125	532	46,886
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	76	930	345	1,275	108,990
Total ...	5,268	90,301	26,161	116,462	£12,654,446
	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	394,005	†4,846,704	47,530	5,642,150	747,916
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	250,789	861,539	21,239	1,176,404	293,626
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	1,114,406	361,286	206,343	1,891,733	1,324,104
Working in Wood ...	820,117	2,100,201	21,903	3,420,284	1,298,120
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	3,983,195	7,339,887	410,267	13,908,681	6,158,527
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	3,466,183	19,674,332	216,154	24,922,078	5,031,592
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	587,980	3,193,532	39,894	6,044,482	2,811,056
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	1,184,322	973,190	32,111	2,528,515	1,523,214
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	11,794	58,722	1,486	135,524	75,316
Arms and Explosives ...	100,372	23,813	3,206	135,341	108,322
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	144,008	411,066	16,367	1,061,414	633,981
Ship and Boat Building ...	659,228	247,469	18,203	1,034,070	768,398
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	72,902	554,181	8,511	1,120,888	558,196
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	283,967	737,464	13,878	1,239,934	488,592
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	4,894	5,878	276	24,730	18,576
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	28,853	112,097	1,812	244,561	130,652
Heat, Light, and Power ...	3,612,157	662,719	295,911	3,017,617	2,058,987
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	12,485	151,539	723	250,500	98,238
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	102,316	233,571	4,973	421,667	183,123
Total ...	£16,833,973	42,549,190	1,360,847	68,220,573	24,310,536*

* If £318,770, the value of production of articles already included in primary industries, be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £23,991,766. † Including value of wool treated. ‡ Of this amount males received £11,285,518, and females £1,368,928.

No. 53.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901-1915.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914-15.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	649,759	723,753	769,225	747,916
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	266,094	301,140	237,368	293,626
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	422,272	1,083,972	1,268,823	1,322,277	1,324,104
Working in Wood	649,149	1,168,333	1,391,789	1,424,728	1,298,120
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	4,864,882	6,161,848	6,344,674	6,158,527
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,237,369	3,463,455	3,816,577	4,049,533	4,712,822
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	2,517,160	2,820,432	2,794,473	2,811,056
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	950,771	1,440,173	1,619,556	1,784,055	1,523,214
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	76,596	85,220	89,115	75,316
Arms and Explosives	1,480	2,531	2,211	51,406	108,322
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	607,307	634,892	697,406	633,981
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	370,490	500,736	562,117	768,398
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	220,434	516,082	597,413	614,105	558,196
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	74,006	400,454	447,620	461,909	488,592
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments ..	17,304	19,172	17,942	18,914	18,576
Jewellery, Time-pieces, and Plated-ware ...	24,698	125,261	153,377	142,749	130,652
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	1,373,532	1,684,773	1,868,391	2,058,987
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	67,373	84,469	89,030	98,238
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	129,837	151,367	160,895	183,123
Total	£ 9,741,598	19,142,463	22,463,938	23,482,370	23,991,766

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 54.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891-1914-15.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral.	Agricultural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor—Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1894	11,168	3,439	4,947	2,548	*	690	22,792	6,880	29,672
1895	11,774	4,101	4,499	2,546	*	715	23,635	7,006	30,641
1896	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,546	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,742	38,814
1902	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,601	40,750
1904	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,899	39,381
1905	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,631	46,725
1906	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,906	53,734
1907	22,281	6,588	10,295	3,567	1,708	1,382	45,821	13,481	59,302
1908	18,846	8,319	8,384	4,064	1,732	1,165	42,510	13,633	56,143
1909	19,040	10,908	7,403	3,983	1,990	1,096	44,420	14,536	58,956
1910	21,028	9,493	8,455	4,796	2,119	1,108	46,999	16,794	63,793
1911	19,434	9,749	9,410	5,215	2,055	1,195	47,058	19,143	66,201
1912	19,440	11,817	11,229	5,758	2,089	1,303	51,636	22,464	74,100
1913	20,738	12,378	11,651	5,455	2,416	1,400	54,038	23,482	77,520
1914-15	18,848	10,031	9,603	6,231	2,301	1,307	48,321	23,992	72,313

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

No. 55.—Education.

Year.	Public Schools.				Private Schools.		
	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Expenditure by State on Education.	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.
1904 ...	2,870	5,699	207,860	£ 847,830	852	3,396	57,811
1905 ...	2,901	5,719	206,010	839,976	853	3,482	57,854
1906 ...	2,885	5,758	207,298	881,581	852	3,557	58,707
1907 ..	2,918	5,918	209,229	922,295	806	3,524	57,440
1908 ...	3,002	6,012	214,495	1,085,020	792	3,501	57,111
1909 ...	3,075	6,176	213,739	1,109,939	789	3,633	58,361
1910 ...	3,105	6,262	214,776	1,191,713	774	3,602	59,247
1911 ...	3,125	6,517	221,810	1,242,576	756	3,659	60,963
1912 ...	3,234	7,048	228,529	1,589,986	754	3,673	61,744
1913 ...	3,285	7,261	241,784	1,686,155	733	3,593	64,591
1914 ...	3,258	7,404	252,697	1,721,441	717	3,674	64,577

No. 56.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters and Letter Cards carried.	Post Cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, Books, and Parcels carried.	Miles of Telegraph and Telephone Line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1904 ...	2,239	95,006,923	3,263,264	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491	3,637,280
1905 ...	2,266	103,576,306	8,382,282	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906 ...	2,288	115,062,748	12,621,096	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506
1907 ...	2,319	122,130,948	15,097,710	48,340,646	37,191,554	15,910	4,894,283
1908 ...	2,368	134,684,520	14,969,312	50,461,252	38,330,311	16,338	5,149,763
1909 ...	2,397	139,058,694	12,511,546	56,002,764	38,849,363	17,087	5,177,962
1910 ...	2,437	151,315,512	12,438,544	66,963,559	40,609,036	17,615	5,607,178
1911 ...	2,490	*189,656,401		71,619,194	38,032,322	18,253	5,863,560
1912 ...	2,559	*192,996,376		68,696,648	34,755,556	18,268	6,364,990
1913 ...	2,596	*212,639,659		64,874,822	40,902,342	19,254	6,573,667
1914 ...	2,623	*217,907,644		66,216,699	36,576,538	20,828	6,703,019

* Includes all articles registered.

No. 57.—Prices of Food—Sydney.

		Average Retail Price in Sydney.									
Article.		Unit.	1916.						1915.	1914.	
			March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Aug.	Aug.	
			s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
Bread	2-lb. loaf.		0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 5	0 3 5	
Flour	25-lb. bag.		3 8 6	3 7 1	3 6 7	3 6 4	3 6 4	3 5 4	5 2	2 11 6	
„ self-raising ...	2 lb.		0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 5 9	0 8 1	0 4 6	
Tea	lb.		1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6 2	1 6 2	1 6 2	1 6	1 3 7	
Coffee and Chicory ...	„		1 5 7	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6 2	1 6 2	1 5 7	1 6	
Cocoa	½ lb.		0 4 4	0 4 5	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 7	0 4 6	0 4 2	0 4 1	
Sugar (small quantities)	lb.		0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3	0 2 9	
Rice	„		0 3 2	0 3 2	0 3 2	0 3 3	0 3 2	0 3 2	0 3	0 3	
Sago	„		0 3 1	0 3 2	0 3 2	0 3 4	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 2 9	0 2 7	
Jam (Australian) ...	„		0 5 9	0 5 9	0 5 9	0 5 9	0 6	0 6	0 5	0 5	
Oatmeal	5 lb. bag.		1 3 1	1 2 5	1 1 4	1 1 1	1 1	1 1 4	1 6 5	1 1	
Raisins	lb.		0 7 6	0 7 6	0 7 9	0 7 9	0 8 1	0 7 9	0 6 6	0 6 4	
Currants	„		0 9 4	0 9 4	0 8 9	0 8 9	0 9	0 9	0 7 7	0 7	
Starch	„		0 5 6	0 5 9	0 5 9	0 6 4	0 6 4	0 7	0 5 5	0 5 4	
Blue	doz. sqs.		0 9 2	0 9 2	0 9 2	0 9 2	0 9 2	0 9 2	0 9 2	0 8 7	
Candles	lb.		0 7 5	0 7 6	0 8 2	0 8 2	0 8 2	0 8 2	0 7	0 6 6	
Soap	„		0 3 2	0 3 2	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3 5	0 3	0 3 3	
Potatoes	14 lb.		1 8 5	1 4 5	1 5	1 3	1 3 5	1 5	1 4 5	1 1	
Onions	lb.		0 1	0 1	0 1	0 1	0 1 1	0 1	0 1 5	0 1 7	
Kerosene	gallon.		1 5 1	1 5 2	1 7 4	1 7 4	1 7 4	1 8 4	1 1 7	1 0 6	
Milk	quart.		0 5	0 5	0 5	0 5 5	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 5 5	0 5	
Butter	lb.		1 4	1 4	1 5	1 5 2	1 6	1 6	1 10 5	1 3 7	
Cheese (new & matured)	„		1 0	0 11 9	1 0 1	1 0 1	1 1 2	1 1 1	1 2	0 11 5	
Eggs, new laid ...	doz.		2 2 5	2 6 5	2 11	2 6 5	2 2 6	1 6	1 7 5	1 0 7	
„ fresh	„		1 10 2	2 2 2	2 2 8	2 1 2	1 10 8	1 3 3	1 5 2	0 10 7	
Bacon (middle cut) ...	lb.		1 5 1	1 5 2	1 5 1	1 5	1 3 9	1 2 2	1 3 1	1 0 5	
„ (shoulder) ...	„		1 1 1	1 1 4	1 1 1	1 1	0 11 9	0 10 6	0 10 6	0 7 7	
Ham	„		1 6 9	1 6 9	1 5 9	1 5 4	1 4 0	1 1 9	1 3	1 1 1	
Beef, fresh—Sirloin ...	„		0 11 4	0 11 3	0 11 2	0 11 2	0 11 1	0 11 5	1 0 5	0 6	
„ Ribs	„		0 9 8	0 9 6	0 9 7	0 9 8	0 9 5	0 9 5	0 10 5	0 5 2	
„ Gravy	„		0 7 8	0 7 3	0 7 7	0 7 3	0 7 5	0 7 5	0 8 7	0 3 7	
Steak—Rump	„		1 2 3	1 2 2	1 2 2	1 2 3	1 2 2	1 1 5	1 4 4	0 9	
„ Shoulder ...	„		0 9	0 8 6	0 8 7	0 8 5	0 8 7	0 8 5	0 9 9	0 4 7	
Beef (corned round) ...	„		0 10	0 10 1	0 9 9	0 10	0 9 9	0 9 8	0 9 9	0 5	
Mutton—Leg	„		0 8	0 7 9	0 7 7	0 8 2	0 8 4	0 7 7	0 8	0 4 7	
„ Shoulder ...	„		0 6 6	0 6 6	0 6 6	0 7 2	0 7 5	0 7 3	0 7 2	0 4	
„ Loin	„		0 7 8	0 7 6	0 7 9	0 7 7	0 8 6	0 8 0	0 8 7	0 5 5	
„ Neck	„		0 6 8	0 6 6	0 7 1	0 7	0 7 1	0 7 1	0 7 7	0 4	
Chops—Loin	„		0 9	0 8 9	0 9 2	0 8 9	0 9 6	0 8 9	0 9 1	0 6 2	
„ Leg	„		0 8 8	0 8 4	0 8 4	0 8 7	0 9 4	0 8 8	0 8	0 6	
„ Neck	„		0 7 4	0 7 2	0 7 6	0 7 3	0 7 6	0 7 5	0 7 9	0 4 5	
Lamb—Forequarter ...	„		0 7 3	0 7 5	0 7 7	0 8 3	0 8 2	0 7 8	0 8 6	*2 10 5	
„ Hindquarter ...	„		0 8 3	0 8 5	0 8 7	0 9 3	0 9 2	0 8 0	0 8 2	*4 3	
Pork, fresh—Leg ...	„		1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0 9	0 9 5	
„ Chops	„		1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 2 9	0 11	

NOTE.—The above averages are based on city prices; the suburban rates are higher. Prices of Groceries represent the predominant rates ruling about the 15th of each month.

No. 58.—Current Rates of Wages.

NOTE.—The rates of wages shown below, with few exceptions, have been fixed by Wages Boards.

Bakers (bread)—67/6 to 80/- per week; (apprentices), 10/- to 40/- per week; (biscuit factories), 62/6 per week.	Waiters, 27/6 to 45/- per week.	} Hotel employees provided with board, or 10s. per week additional in lieu thereof.
Blacksmiths, 52/6 to 80/- per week.	Waitresses, 11/- to 24/- per week.	
Boilermakers—1/4½ to 1/6 per hour, id. per hour additional, dirt money.	Barmen, 41/- per week.	
Bookbinders, 62/6 to 65/- per week.	Barmails, 25/- per week.	
Boot & Shoe makers—Male, 1/4½ per hr.; females, 31/- to 38/6 per week.	Storemen, 27/6 to 50/- per week.	
Brass Finishers, 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Kitchenmen, 30/- to 41/- per week.	
Brassmoulders, 1/3 and 1/4½ per hour.	Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	
Bread-carters (42 to 54 hours per week), min. 57/6 to 65/-	Ironworkers, 1/1½ to 1/6½ per hour.	
Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, adult males, 41/- to 62/- per week; adult females, 20/- per week.	Jam Factory Workers—	
Bricklayers, 1/7½ to 1/9 per hour.	Males, adults, 54/- to 70/-; boys, 20/- to 36/- per week, or piece-work rates.	
Brick-carters, 1 horse, 51/- per week; 2 horses, 56/- per week; 3 horses, 62/-; 4/- per week extra for each additional horse.	Females, adults, 23/-; girls, 17/-; female fillers, 25/- and 33/- per week.	
Brickmakers—	Labourers—General, 1/-, 1/1½, 1/3 to 1/6 per hour.	
Burners, 10/1 to 10/6 per shift; machine men, 1/3 to 1/3½ per hr.; pitmen, 1/2½ to 1/5½ per hr.	Letter-press Machinists, min. 55/- to 65/- per wk.	
Brushmakers, 1/5 to 1/7 per hour, or 66/- to 70/- per week, or piece-work rates.	Lithographers, min. 62/6 and 75/- per week.	
Butchers (city), without board, 60/- to 72/6	Malt-house Hands, 48/- to 60/- per week.	
" (country), 48/- to 80/-	Marble-workers, 1/2½ to 1/4½ per hour.	
" Slaughtermen—Mutton 19/9 to 30/- per hundred; Beef and Pork, 85/- per week.	Masons and Stone-cutters, 1/7½ to 1/9½ per hour.	
Carpenters and Joiners, 1/5 to 1/6 per hour; leading hands, 1/7½ per hour.	Millers (Bread), 63/- to 80/- per week; (Engineers), 10/- to 11/6 per day.	
Carters. (See "Trolly and Draymen.")	Navvies, 8/- to 9/6 per day.	
Cabinetmakers, min. 67/-	Painters, 1/4 to 1/9½ per hour.	
Chairmakers, min. 67/-	Paperhangers, 1/4 to 1/5 per hour.	
Cigarmakers, 2/6 to 7/6 per 100, acc'dg to shape.	Patternmakers, 1/6½ to 1/8 per hour.	
Clerks—Males, 54/-; females, 30/- per week.	Plasterers, 1/7½ to 1/9 per hour.	
" Junior (16 to 23 years)—Males, 12/6 to 54/-; females, 10/- to 30/- per week.	Plumbers, Journeymen, 1/6 to 1/10½ per hour.	
Coach-painters, 1/3 per hour.	Quarrymen, 1/8 per hour.	
Coachsmiths, 1/3 per hour.	Saw-mill Employees—Machinists, 57/- to 69/-; Saw Sharpeners, 57/- to 86/-; Sawyers, 57/- to 68/- per week.	
Coal-lumpers, 1/7½ per hour, day work; 2/3 per hour, night work.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan Retail Grocers), 10/- to 58/- per week.	
Coke-lumpers, 1/7½; night work, 2/3 per hour.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan Drapers, &c.), adults—Males, 48/- to 62/6 per week.	
Compositors (hand)—Journeymen, 65/- per week.	Females, 25/- to 36/- per week.	
" " Piecework, 1/1 to 1/2 per 1,000 ens.	Slaters and Tilers, 1/6 to 1/7½ per hour.	
Compositors (machine)—Linotype (newspapers), 3½d. to 3½d. per 1,000 ens (flat rate).	Stevedores—Foremen, £4 and £5 per week.	
" " Operators, 1/6 to 1/9 per hour.	Storemen, per week—Wharf, 61/6: Wool, 62/- to 70/6; Bonded Store, 60/-; Produce (Retail other than Grocery) Storemen, 50/-, Packer, 52/6; Grocery, 50/-; Hardware, 54/-, Soft-goods (Wholesale) Storemen, 58/6; Packer, 55/- to 60/-.	
Coopers (piecework, log rates), 1/4½ to 1/6½ per hr.	Tailors—Journeymen, 60/- per week, or log rates.	
Coppersmiths, 1/6 to 1/8 per hour.	" Cutters & Trimmers, 65/- to 75/- per wk.	
Dockers and Painters, 1/3 to 1/6 per hour; overtime, time and half.	" Pressers, 54/- to 64/- per week.	
Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	" Piecework—log rates.	
Electricians—Mechanics, 1/4½ to 1/6½ per hour.	Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 30/- to 35/- per wk.	
Fitters, 1/6½ per hour.	" (trousers hands), order, 25/- to 29/- p. wk.	
Engine-drivers (staty., &c.), 1/0½ to 1/9½ per hour.	" Ready-made clothing for men—	
Firemen " 1/0½, 1/2½, and 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Journeywomen on coats, 25/- p. wk.	
Farriers—Firemen, 72/- per week.	Journeymen on trousers and vests, 23/- per week.	
" Floormen, 66/-	" Piece-work—log rates.	
French-polishers, 67/- per week.	Textile Workers—Males, 52/6; fem., 26/- per wk.	
Glass-workers, 1/3½ to 1/7 per hour.	Tinsmiths, 1/0½ to 1/4½ per hour.	
Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/2 per hour.	Trolly and Draymen—Coal Carters—	
Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	1 horse, 52/- to 59/- per week.	
Hairdressers (55 hours per week), 55/- to 65/-	2 horses, 55/- to 64/-	
Hotel, Club, Restaurant, & Tea Room Employees—	3/- per week for each extra horse.	
Cooks (male), 35/- to 100/- per week.	Timber-carters, 1 horse, 54/-; 2 horses, 59/-; and 3/- per week for each extra horse.	
" (female), 20/- to 3-fifths rate for males per week.	Tip-carters, 1 horse, 50/- to 60/-; 2 horses, 55/- to 65/-; 6d. per day extra for each additional horse.	
	Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.	
	Upholsterers, 67/- to 73/- per week.	
	Wharf Labourers—	
	Deep sea, 1/9 per hour.	
	Interstate and Coastal, 1/9 per hour.	
	Wheelwrights, 1/3 per hour.	

No. 58.—Current Rates of Wages—*continued.*

Coal Miners.

The employees in the Coal-mines in New South Wales work under Agreements or Awards. The rate paid to miners varies according to the selling price of coal per ton ruling at the time, and also according to the conditions of the seams or places where the coal is mined.

Coal-mines, Northern District—

Miners, 2/7½ to 4/2 per ton.
 „ coal-cutting machines, 11/- & 12/4 per day
 „ „ assistants, from 8/- per day.
 Deputies, 13/2 to 14/- per day.
 Shot-firers, 12/2 to 13/- per day.
 Waste-examiners, 12/2 to 13/- per day.
 Engine-drivers—
 Winding and loco. engines, 12/- per day.
 Other engines, 10/- to 11/6 per day.
 Shiftmen, 8/6 to 12/4 per shift.
 Wheelers, 8/- to 9/1 per shift.
 Flatters, 8/- per shift.
 Water-bailers, 8/- per shift.
 Hand-pumpers, 8/- per shift.
 Set riders, 10/- per shift.
 Rolleyway men, 8/- to 11/- per shift.
 Roadlayers, 9/- to 10/6 per shift.
 Wagon packers, 8/4 per shift.
 Banksmen, 10/- per shift.
 Shunters, 8/- per shift.
 Screenmen, 8/- per shift.
 Labourers, 8/- per shift.
 Boys, 3/3 to 6/6 per shift.

Coal-mines, Southern District—

Miners, $2\frac{1}{2}$ £ per ton.
 " screened coal, $3\frac{1}{4}$ per ton.
 Overmen (underground), 15/- to 17/- per day.
 Deputy Overmen, 12/6 per day.
 Shiftmen, 10/10 to 13/- per day.
 Onsetters, 11/4 per day.
 Banksmen, 10/- per day.
 Screenmen, 9/- per day.
 Mechanics, 11/- to 12/6 per day.
 Engineers, 12/6 to 16/8 per day.
 Engine-drivers—Winding, 1/6 per hour.
 " Haulage, $1\frac{1}{2}$ per hour.
 Stokers and firemen, $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{3}{4}$ per hour.
 Locomotive engine-drivers, 1/6 per hour.
 " stokers, $\frac{1}{3}$ per hour.
 Platelayers, 8/- to 10/- per day.
 Furnaceman, 8/6 per day.
 Harness-makers, 10/- per day.
 Wheelers, 9/2 to 10/- per day.
 Water-bailers, 9/3 per day.
 Stablemen, 9/- to 10/- per day.
 Labourers, 8/- to 9/- per day.
 Flatters, 9/3 to 10/10 per day.
 Trappers, 3/6 per day.
 Boys, $3\frac{1}{3}$ to 8/- per day.

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers (per month).

Officers, chief, £14 to £20; 2nd, £13 to £17; 3rd, £12/10/- to £13.	Engineers, chief, £18 to £39/2/-; 2nd, £17/10/- to £25/6/-; 3rd, £15/10/- to £20/14/-
Firemen, £10 to £11/10/-	Able Seamen, £8 to £9/5/-
Trimmmers, £8 to £9/5/-	" " (sailing ships), £5 to £6.

State (New South Wales) Steamers (per month).

Officers, Chief, £13 to £18; 2nd, £11 to £15.	Able Seamen and Trimmers, £7 to £9/14/-
Firemen, £7 to £10/10/-	" " (sailing ship), £5
Donkeymen, £10 to £11.	to £6.

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, 20/- to 25/-
 Bullock Drivers, 25/- to 35/-
 Bush Carpenters, 30/- to 35/-
 Cooks (station), 25/- to 35/-
 Country Blacksmiths—
 Station, 35/-
 General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-
 Milkers, 20/- to 30/-
 Farm Labourers, 25/- to 30/-
 Harvest Hands, acedg. to experience, 7/- to 12/-
 per day.

Horse-team Drivers, 25/- to 30/-
 Married Couples—
 When wife cooks, £104 to £110.
 Rouseabouts, 20/- to 30/-
 Orchard Hands, 20/- to 30/-
 Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 24/-
 Stockmen, £52 to £65.
 Useful Boys, 15/- to 20/- (age 15 to 18).
 Vignerons, £52 to £55.

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—	General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards),
Station, 20/- to 25/-	12/6 to 25/-
Private house, 20/- to 25/-	Nursemaids (aged 15 to 20 years), 10/- to 15/-
Boarding-house, 25/- to 35/-	Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), 8/- to 12/6.
Cook and Laundress, 20/- to 25/-	Gardeners, 25/- to 30/-
House and Parlour Maid, 15/- to 20/-	Grooms and Coachmen, 20/- to 30/-

No. 59.—Meteorology.

District.	August, 1916.					August— (Mean, 1906-1915.)			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
North Coast—	deg.	deg.	deg.	inches.		deg.	inches.		deg.	inches.
Grafton ..	(Fahr.)	(Fahr.)	(Fahr.)			(Fahr.)			(Fahr.)	
Hunter and Manning—	59·2	72·0	46·1	0·49	5	58·1	1·71	6	67·5	35·08
Singleton ..	...	...	...	1·02	9	52·5	1·49	6	64·1	29·50
Cumberland—										
Sydney ...	55·6	62·5	48·6	2·76	12	55·6	3·08	11	63·0	48·07
South Coast—										
Bega ...	49·7	65·5	33·8	·78	5	50·3	1·45	4	60·5	33·00
Northern Tableland—										
Armidaale ...	45·9	54·4	36·3	3·50	13	45·4	1·81	8	56·3	31·96
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst...	45·7	55·7	35·6	3·71	12	46·0	1·49	8	57·2	23·60
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn ...	44·8	53·0	36·5	2·39	17	45·4	1·66	7	56·1	24·83
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah ...	53·5	63·6	44·4	3·39	11	52·6	1·95	5	65·4	24·49
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo ...	48·6	58·7	38·4	2·21	11	51·3	1·67	7	63·5	22·30
South-western Slope—										
Wagga ...	48·0	57·3	38·7	4·97	15	49·8	1·55	8	62·1	21·09
North-western Plain—										
Moree ...	53·7	65·7	41·7	2·61	7	54·8	1·79	5	67·3	23·47
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble ...	51·0	63·5	38·5	1·10	9	53·4	1·77	5	65·9	19·86
Riverina—										
Deniliquin ...	49·0	57·9	40·0	2·14	11	50·4	1·27	8	61·7	16·07

No. 60.—New Buildings erected in Metropolis—Annual.

Year.			Returns of Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.		Municipal Returns.			
			Buildings erected and assessed.	Cost of Buildings, including additions to old Buildings.	Buildings for which permission to build was granted.	Estimated Cost of New Buildings.	Estimated Cost of Alterations and Additions.	Total Cost, Buildings, Alterations, and Additions.
			£			£	£	£
1910	...	...	4,419	2,439,000	...	...	...	...
1911	...	...	6,006	3,604,000	...	...	...	...
1912	...	...	7,773	5,069,000	8,339	4,988,000	636,000	5,624,000
1913	...	...	7,853	5,917,000	9,342	6,512,000	815,000	7,327,000
1914	...	..	8,831	6,162,000	8,548	5,236,000	586,000	5,822,000
1915	...	..	6,141	4,664,000	6,066	3,850,000	548,000	4,398,000
1916 (first half)...			3,091	2,333,000	2,773	1,910,000	290,000	2,200,000

No. 61.—New Buildings—Metropolis—Monthly.

Month	1916.			1915.		
	City.		Suburbs.	City.		Suburbs.
	No.	No.	Value.	No.	No.	Value.
			£			£
January ...	12	439	232,990	3	450	214,690
February ...	8	448	231,566	19	449	217,821
March ...	11	489	233,142	15	530	286,192
April ...	8	426	213,335	13	527	287,460
May ...	11	511	304,887	5	567	352,410
June ...	8	402	220,808	22	564	305,679
July ...	6	508	297,261	20	641	382,386
August ...	6	510	305,343	5	545	285,134
Total (8 months) ...	70	3,733	2,039,332	102	4,273	2,331,772

No. 62.—New Buildings—Metropolis—each Municipality.

NUMBER and Value of New Buildings and of Alterations and Additions in each Municipality during the eight months, January to August.

Municipality.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1915.	New Buildings (to erect which permission granted).				Alterations and Additions.			
		1916.		1915.		1916.		1915.	
		No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
			£		£		£		£
City of Sydney ...	104,200	70	x	102	x	302	x	254	x
Alexandria ...	11,580	20	12,315	30	9,247	29	947	15	1,613
Annandale ...	12,590	13	5,535	19	7,000	14	1,970	16	782
Ashfield ...	27,610	168	115,244	184	123,495	71	4,117	78	4,488
Balmain ...	33,840	29	20,615	37	24,280	64	4,827	49	5,084
Bexley ...	10,420	128	52,014	140	52,450	57	3,194	31	990
Botany ...	5,710	33	22,284	28	8,537	23	3,531	50	3,221
Burwood ...	12,480	137	82,265	107	57,555	50	9,031	63	6,320
Canterbury ...	24,380	459	182,170	481	186,540	155	6,998	178	7,208
Concord ...	6,340	92	49,850	90	46,881	71	10,532	59	1,890
Darlington ...	3,920	Nil.	...	Nil.	...	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Drummoyne ...	13,530	100	62,613	162	76,233	50	4,706	43	2,494
Eastwood ...	1,400	13	7,030	20	9,485	1	65	Nil.	...
Enfield ...	5,570	70	31,697	77	38,259	25	692	60	1,107
Erskineville ...	7,810	2	1,500	2	210	15	3,025	8	2,210
Glebe ...	23,110	7	1,515	7	5,130	26	2,523	20	2,231
Homebush ...	1,030	3	1,080	7	2,850	1	50	6	105
Hunter's Hill ...	5,700	61	32,600	52	25,976	19	1,743	20	780
Hurstville ...	10,400	109	34,174	116	39,995	56	5,361	64	2,058
Kogarah ...	12,370	156	63,445	205	72,207	68	3,117	71	2,980
Lane Cove ...	4,880	60	28,366	81	49,201	19	2,345	21	1,147
Leichhardt ...	28,080	60	28,645	97	37,295	63	4,355	79	2,991
Manly ...	13,950	60	43,015	94	87,798	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Marrickville ...	37,560	164	76,905	187	97,235	55	3,031	48	5,318
Mascot ...	8,530	37	12,910	89	23,235	46	3,036	30	857
Mosman ...	17,070	100	73,000	90	76,265	22	2,665	32	11,085
Newtown ...	28,250	24	17,146	38	22,895	29	6,986	38	5,066
North Sydney ...	41,250	116	106,945	149	153,630	53	10,732	108	25,038
Paddington ...	26,350	8	10,720	17	7,535	20	2,058	17	1,553
Petersham ...	24,190	45	23,470	28	17,145	46	3,497	53	5,613
Randwick ...	32,200	385	227,313	383	286,433	114	11,755	126	14,397
Redfern ...	25,460	2	1,000	17	12,250	9	915	21	14,680
Rockdale ...	19,880	177	78,094	182	76,465	92	1,995	119	2,437
Ryde ...	9,060	119	52,689	187	76,977	29	1,323	28	1,365
St. Peters ...	10,720	32	11,525	51	20,781	34	1,197	19	404
Strathfield ...	5,550	47	29,540	62	40,047	35	1,098	43	1,979
Vaucluse ...	2,430	42	40,885	39	38,870	16	1,423	9	954
Waterloo ...	11,350	8	7,506	15	8,913	20	3,215	21	1,875
Waverley ...	27,330	217	112,951	169	88,325	57	6,164	40	2,574
Willoughby ...	20,600	167	86,060	242	115,231	76	3,378	90	7,350
Woollahra ...	20,260	107	105,401	97	99,066	69	8,870	93	18,635
Ku-ring-gai Shire ..	14,060	156	87,300	195	109,850	99	2,800	71	3,228
Total Suburbs ..	658,800	3,733	2,039,332	4,273	2,331,772	1,798	149,587	1,937	174,017
Total City of Sydney	104,200	70	x	102	x	302	x	254	x
Grand Total ..	763,000	3,803	x	4,375	x	2,100	x	2,191	x

x Indicates that the information is not available.

During the month of August, 1916, the number of new buildings erected was 516, viz., 6 in the City, and 510 in the Suburbs. The largest numbers were:—Randwick, 55; Waverley, 36; Canterbury, 35; Rockdale, 33; Marrickville, 32; Ashfield, 25; Kogarah, 24; Willoughby, 23; and Bexley, 20.

No. 63.—Crown Lands Selections, 1916.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected, and (second) the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of August, 1916, and during the period from 1st January to 31st August, 1916 :—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During August, 1916.		1st Jan. to 31st August, 1916.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Original Conditional Purchases	16	1,477	79	11,604
Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(5)	520	(28)	6,420
Crown Leases—ordinary	26	29,970	287	268,458
" " for returned soldiers	13	29,128	13	29,128
Homestead Farms—ordinary	4	1,805	81	65,925
" " for returned soldiers	33	22,354	33	22,354
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	20	298	256	3,458
" " for returned soldiers	7	57	7	57
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts)	1	1,450	7	4,957
Irrigation Farms ... ..	...	...	28	1,698
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area ... ..	...	...	...	...
Week-end Leases ... ..	...	...	...	...
Leases of Town Lands ... ..	...	...	...	...
Special Holdings ... ..	...	...	...	...
Total	120	87,059	791	413,159
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Cond'n'l Purchases (Crown Lands)	7	432	64	7,034
Conditional Leases not applied for simultaneously with O.C. Purchases ...	16	2,384	81	13,761
Additional Homestead Selections ... ..	...	...	1	34
" Settlement Leases ... ..	...	...	...	...
" Crown Leases	22	23,226	22	23,226
" Homestead Farms	2	298	2	298
Total	47	26,340	170	44,353
AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.				
Description of Holding.	During August, 1916.		1st Jan. to 31st August, 1916.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Crown Leases—ordinary	56	77,495	812	1,025,711
" " for returned soldiers	18	17,177	46	88,662
Homestead Farms—ordinary	1	129	26	12,653
" " for returned soldiers	72	44,471	195	146,429
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	10	207	144	1,570
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	59	1,035
Special Holdings for returned soldiers ...	121	3,320	169	5,191
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts)	...	...	40	36,325
Irrigation Farms	5	243	143	9,466
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area	129	22	175	34
Leases of Town Lands	1	1	1	1
Total	413	143,065	1,810	1,327,077
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Every class of Additional Holdings ... ..	...	...	5	2,638
Additional Conditional Purchase ... ..	...	...	5	2,949
" Cond'l. Purchase and Cond'l. Lease ...	...	...	...	...
" Homestead Selections	1	21	1	21
" Settlement Lease ... ..	...	...	...	...
Crown Leases as Additional Holdings	25	21,618	58	48,978
Homestead Farms as Additional Holdings ...	...	...	5	781
Total	26	21,639	74	55,367

No. 64.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861–1914-15.

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1914-15.
Area, 309,460 square miles.							
Population.							
31st December ... persons	357,978	517,758	782,080	1,162,190	1,376,199	1,698,736	1,868,641
Births ... No.	14,681	20,143	28,993	39,458	37,875	47,077	52,885
Deaths ... rate	41'56	39'64	37'90	34'55	27'71	28'64	28'31
Deaths ... No.	5,343	6,407	11,536	16,286	16,021	17,179	19,610
Deaths ... rate	15'12	12'61	15'08	14'26	11'72	10'32	10'50
Marriages ... No.	3,222	3,953	6,284	8,457	10,538	15,267	18,129
Marriages ... rate	9'12	7'78	8'21	7'41	7'71	9'17	9'70
Agriculture.							
Total area under crop... acres	295,917	393,413	583,868	846,383	2,276,528	3,629,170	4,808,627
Wheat—Area	123,468	154,030	221,887	356,666	1,392,070	2,380,710	2,758,024
Yield bshl.	1,606,034	2,229,642	3,405,966	3,993,668	14,808,795	25,088,102	12,830,530
Average	13'0	14'5	15'4	11'1	10'6	10'5	4'7
Maize—Area acres	57,959	119,956	117,478	174,577	167,333	167,781	143,663
Yield bshl.	1,727,434	4,015,973	4,339,956	5,721,706	3,844,993	4,507,342	3,174,825
Average	29'8	33'5	36'9	32'8	22'9	26'9	22'1
Hay—Area acres	45,175	51,805	146,610	163,863	442,163	654,149	785,944
Yield tons	57,363	77,460	198,532	209,417	472,621	728,474	613,235
Average	1'27	1'50	1'36	1'28	1'07	1'11	0'78
Total value of all Agricultural production	£ *	2,220,000	4,216,000	3,615,000	7,060,000	9,749,000	10,031,000
Total value per acre under crop	£ *	5/11/9	7/4/5	4/5/5	3/2/0	2/13/9	2/1/9
Pastoral, Dairying, &c.							
Sheep No.	5,615,054	16,278,697	36,591,946	61,831,416	41,857,999	44,947,287	33,009,038
Cattle	2,271,923	2,014,888	2,597,348	2,128,838	2,047,454	3,194,236	2,477,592
Horses	233,220	304,100	398,577	469,647	486,716	689,004	733,341
Pigs	146,091	213,193	213,916	253,189	265,730	371,093	286,704
Production of Wool ... lb.	19,254,800	74,401,300	161,676,000	375,600,000	310,075,000	371,546,000	318,935,000
Value (F.O.B., Sydney)	£ 1,408,000	4,760,000	7,187,200	11,059,300	9,072,100	13,264,000	12,228,000
Production of Butter... lb.	*	*	*	18,362,897	39,056,878	83,204,568	84,134,280
“ Cheese... ..	*	*	*	5,006,071	3,838,835	5,460,652	5,356,627
“ Bacon & Ham ..	*	*	*	6,009,600	11,080,891	16,102,827	15,327,048
Total value of Pastoral and Dairying Production	£ *	8,709,000	13,151,000	17,460,000	15,598,000	24,649,000	25,079,000
Mineral Production.							
Gold oz. fine	425,209	294,389	135,033	131,654	173,543	181,121	132,498
“ oz. ..	1,606,171	1,250,485	573,582	559,231	737,164	769,353	562,819
Silver ... ..	...	...	...	729,590	448,501	1,767,496	3,237,432
“ .. ..	...	...	...	134,850	50,484	177,095	322,244
Silver-lead & ore, &c. .. ton	...	...	...	147,780	417,078	338,469	282,777
“ .. ..	...	...	...	3,484,739	1,803,979	2,265,669	2,309,418
Copper—ingots & ore &c. .. ton	*	*	4,124	6,710	6,733	12,100	6,793
“	3,532	11,828	267,884	119,105	412,292	590,102	234,437
Tin—ingots and ore ton	...	...	6,433	1,657	659	1,929	2,188
“ .. ..	...	(2) 12,227	568,795	133,903	76,544	307,089	266,780
Zinc—Spelter, Concentrates .. ton	...	...	...	219	632	516,378	190,916
“ .. ..	...	...	...	2,622	4,057	1,414,980	1,111,569
Coal ton	342,068	898,785	1,769,597	4,037,929	5,668,426	8,691,604	9,449,000
“	218,821	316,340	603,248	1,742,796	2,178,929	3,167,165	3,424,638
Total value of all Mineral Production	£ 2,029,000	1,626,000	2,138,000	6,434,000	5,681,000	9,410,000	9,603,230
Production from Minor Primary Industries (including Forests and Fisheries). }	£ *	(3) 400,000	(3) 650,000	(3) 758,000	(3) 733,000	3,250,000	3,608,000
Production all Primary Industries	£ *	12,955,000	20,155,000	28,267,000	29,072,000	47,058,000	48,321,000
“ per head	£	25/9/10	26/6/11	24/15/-	21/5/4	28/5/5	25/19/-
Land Settlement.							
Alienated holdings—							
1,000 acres and under ... No.	*	*	36,259	46,566	64,950	81,722	84,194
“ area	*	*	6,628,310	8,827,066	10,673,593	13,669,311	14,414,975
1,000 to 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	2,646	4,307	5,160	7,803	8,747
“ area	*	*	6,990,312	11,370,329	13,305,738	19,551,728	21,893,094
Over 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	449	677	719	708	701
“ area	*	*	14,073,587	21,884,299	22,638,524	20,185,845	19,185,787
Manufactories.							
Number of Factories	601	1,813	2,961	3,056	3,367	5,039	5,268
Hands employed males	*	*	28,819	43,203	54,556	82,123	90,301
“ females	*	*	2,372	7,676	11,674	26,541	26,161
Salaries and Wages paid ... £	*	*	*	4,772,704	4,945,079	10,051,161	12,054,446
Value of Machinery and Plant .. £	*	*	*	4,386,475	5,860,725	12,510,600	16,833,973
Total value of Output £	*	*	*	16,800,132	25,648,471	54,340,011	68,220,573
Value of Production (value added to raw materials) £	*	2,424,000	5,025,000	7,799,000	9,742,000	19,143,000	23,992,000
“ per head	£	4/15/5	6/11/4	6/16/7	7/12/6	11/10/-	12/17/8
Shipping.							
Inwards, Vessels No.	1,327	1,891	2,254	2,602	2,760	3,127	3,000
“ tons	366,236	706,019	1,450,239	2,752,157	4,133,200	6,822,133	7,051,503
Outwards, Vessels No.	1,391	2,123	2,103	2,654	2,853	3,146	3,059
“ tons	379,460	794,460	1,330,261	2,801,320	4,274,101	6,833,782	7,219,914

* Not available.

(2) Year 1872. (3) Value of Forests and Fisheries only. Other minor industries (poultry, bees, &c.) are included in Pastoral and Dairying.

No. 64.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1914-15—*contd.*

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1914-15.
Trade.							
Imports, Oversea	£ 4,547,813	5,481,655	11,829,007	15,127,641	17,560,207	27,343,428	27,323,243
" " per head	12/17/6	10/15/9	15/9/3	13/4/11	12/16/11	16/8/6	14/13/2
Exports, Oversea	£ 3,600,748	5,452,840	9,753,644	14,620,889	18,210,627	32,161,401	28,107,025
" " per head	10/8/11	10/14/7	12/15/-	12/16/0	13/6/5	19/6/5	15/1/7
Interstate Transfers, Inwards	£ 2,056,256	4,453,412	5,758,005	10,255,756	9,368,011	*	*
" " Outwards	£ 2,918,713	5,808,379	6,554,161	11,323,131	9,140,497	*	*
Produce of New South Wales, exported Oversea. (1)							
Wool	lb. 12,745,891	38,323,302	81,906,922	235,470,988	217,285,747	295,315,438	234,278,444
" " " " " " " "	£ 1,396,426	2,292,522	4,107,715	7,670,460	7,420,119	11,704,409	9,755,675
Wheat and Flour	bus. 28,025	8,445	21,699	54,947	5,204,892	14,324,845	3,862,893
" " " " " " " "	£ 9,570	2,414	5,337	11,683	680,719	2,519,354	769,495
Butter	lb. (2) 53,088	(2) 1,158,040	402,421	401,690	8,699,817	33,044,324	23,784,838
" " " " " " " "	£ 2,536	27,415	11,992	17,756	379,341	1,518,993	1,188,402
Frozen Mutton	lb. ...	...	*	*	39,399,792	59,948,989	96,443,522
" " " " " " " "	£ ...	...	*	*	382,385	1,642,966	1,684,660
Other Meats... ..	£ 11,536	130,999	191,774	194,013	381,768	607,002	787,563
Tallow	£ 58,393	245,352	244,271	292,672	302,631	871,018	580,286
Leather	£ 6,810	83,899	130,417	130,774	347,327	323,517	1,675,621
Skins and Hides	£ 77,127	38,115	130,277	376,295	431,232	1,145,138	1,675,621
Minerals and Ores (exclusive of Gold)	£ 65,372	248,996	1,214,085	1,392,076	1,893,314	4,072,531	5,472,350
Timber, undressed... ..	£ 2,221	3,990	12,930	44,437	76,124	243,811	188,724
Public Finance. (3)							
Net Revenue proper	£ 1,421,831	2,215,846	6,551,134	9,773,332	11,007,356	15,776,816	18,928,551
" " per head	£ 4/0/6	4/7/2	8/11/3	8/11/2	7/19/11	9/5/9	10/3/1
Expenditure proper	£ 1,529,788	2,666,948	5,625,749	10,215,820	11,008,173	15,277,001	17,935,749
" " per head	£ 4/6/7	5/4/11	7/7/1	8/18/11	8/-	8/10/10	9/12/5
Loan Expenditure	£ 409,121	400,727	2,397,368	4,750,167	4,939,241	5,491,703	6,996,107
" " per head	£ 1/13/2	1/9/3	3/12/8	4/3/2	3/11/9	3/4/8	3/15/1
Banks.							
Deposits	£ 5,029,692	7,043,886	20,308,017	35,659,690	33,258,456	57,140,156	66,335,017
Advances	£ 5,764,059	7,668,022	20,935,596	45,068,914	35,068,757	49,610,008	51,379,771
Assets	£ 8,809,829	11,592,076	27,870,483	53,590,259	43,437,589	64,881,499	77,397,887
Liabilities	£ 6,292,170	8,016,832	22,394,316	37,589,704	35,077,832	58,349,554	69,968,990
Savings Banks.							
Depositors	No. 13,282	24,379	72,384	158,426	306,311	544,023	755,835
Deposits	£ 615,409	945,915	2,698,701	5,342,135	11,808,710	25,361,338	35,562,649
Average per depositor	£ 46/6/8	38/16/-	37/5/8	33/14/5	38/11/-	46/12/4	47/1/0
" " per head of population	£ 1/14/5	1/16/6	3/9/-	4/11/11	8/11/7	14/18/7	19/1/71
Railways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	74	359	996	2,197	3,026	3,832	4,134
Capital cost	£ 1,536,032	5,887,258	13,301,597	33,312,608	40,565,073	53,514,903	65,583,274
Passengers carried... ..	No. 595,591	759,062	9,907,312	19,918,916	30,885,214	70,706,728	88,774,451
Net Earnings	£ 13,817	158,257	705,892	1,193,044	1,401,317	2,321,882	2,305,349
Net return on capital invested	per cent. '90	2'69	5'31	3'58	3'48	4'41	3'60
Tramways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	...	...	9½	48	104	195½	220
Capital cost ... ..	£ ...	...	169,450	1,099,659	2,829,363	5,664,324	7,970,293
Passengers carried... ..	No. ...	...	7,090,125	71,477,948	108,135,111	266,789,546	289,282,845
Net Earnings ... ..	£ ...	...	10,442	56,799	89,773	249,980	374,774
Net return on capital invested	per cent. ...	...	6'16	5'28	3'17	4'63	4'80
Postal.							
Number of Offices	340	570	1,128	1,728	2,208	2,490	2,623
Letters and Post Cards dealt with	No. 4,369,463	7,509,500	26,534,160	68,987,300	82,783,467	189,656,401	217,907,644
" " per head	12'37	14'77	34'68	60'41	60'56	116'90	116'90
Newspapers dealt with ...	No. 3,384,245	3,992,100	16,527,900	42,517,300	52,317,650	71,619,194	66,216,699
" " per head	9'58	7'86	21'60	37'23	38'27	43'03	35'52
Telegraphs.							
Number of Stations	36	89	318	674	978	1,406	1,937
Length of wire (5)	miles 1,981	5,579	14,278	24,780	46,153	31,123	37,236
Telegrams	No. 74,204	218,530	1,607,206	4,042,251	3,449,315	5,863,560	6,703,019
Money Orders.							
Issued in New South Wales	£ ...	293,370	771,978	1,577,744	1,637,488	2,819,183	3,854,703
Paid	£ ...	271,842	675,025	1,518,987	1,669,739	2,949,264	3,715,679
Public Schools.							
Schools at close of the year	No. 179	659	1,406	2,461	2,818	3,125	3,258
Teachers	No. *	810	2,199	4,438	5,212	6,517	7,404
Scholars on roll (6)	No. 11,660	39,070	144,119	206,438	210,588	221,810	252,097
Average attendance	No. *	...	...	122,528	154,404	160,776	190,194
Expenditure by the State on Education, etc.	£ 76,911	151,225	687,422	1,002,379	918,819	1,390,146	1,721,441

* Not available.

(1) The exports in 1914-15 include articles produced in other States of Australia. Since 1st January, 1912, the Federal Customs Department has classified all goods produced in the Commonwealth simply as "Australian," without distinguishing, as formerly, the particular State where they were produced. (2) Includes cheese.

(3) For 1861 Gross Revenue and Expenditure are shown. Particulars for 1901 and 1911 are for the year ended 30th June following. Transfers to Public Works Fund and Closer Settlement Fund are excluded in 1911 and 1914-15. (4) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following. (5) 1891 and 1901 include telephone wire; 1911 is exclusive of mileage of wire erected for railways. (6) 1901 and following years are for the December quarter.

No. 65.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W. fixed by order of the Minister of Defence under the Commonwealth War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Flour (wholesale)† ...	10-8-16	Sydney ...	Ton ...	100 lb. bag, £11 5s.; 50 lb. bag, £11 7s. 6d.; 25 lb. bag, £11 12s. 6d.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	Bag ...	12s. 11d.; 6s. 6d.; 3s. 4d.
" (wholesale) ...	"	Remainder of State	Ton ...	From £11 to £11 12s. 6d. } According to locality
" (retail) ...	"	"	Bag ...	" 3s. 2d. to 12s. 11d. } and size of bag.
" (wholesale) ...	"	N.S.W. ...	Ton, booked	Above prices, plus 2s. 6d.
" " ...	"	"	Bag "	plus—100 lb., 6d.; 50 lb., 4d.; 25 lb., 2d.
Bread† ...	11-8-16	Sydney ...	2-lb. loaf ...	3½d. over counter, 4d. delivered.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	"	3½d. and 4d. over counter, and 4d. and 4½d. delivered.
Biscuits ...	11-8-15	"	lb. ...	1d. more than on 20-1-15.
Oatmeal (wholesale) ...	5-7-16	N.S.W. ...	Ton ...	Plain, £19; flaked, £20 10s.; 1½ cwt. sacks.
" (retail) ...	"	"	lb. ...	Plain, 3d.; flaked, 3½d.
Butter (wholesale) ...	21-6-16	Sydney ...	cwt. ...	New boxes—Choiceest, 144s. 8d.; 1st grade, 140s.; 2nd grade, 135s. 4d.
" " ...	"	"	"	Old boxes—Choiceest, 143s. 2d.; 1st grade, 138s. 6d.; 2nd grade, 133s. 10d.
" " ...	"	At factory ...	"	Above prices, less freight to Sydney.
" " ...	"	Other places ...	"	" plus cost of transport.
" (retail) ...	"	Sydney ...	lb. ...	Choiceest, 1s. 6d. cash; 1s. 6½d. booked; 1s. 7d. delivered.
" " ...	"	Rest of State ...	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Cheese (wholesale) (except "Fancy").	17-7-16	Sydney ...	"	Prime, 10½d.; good, 9½d.; rough, 8d.; carriage as before.
" " ...	"	At factory ...	"	Above prices, less freight to Sydney.
" " ...	"	Other places ...	"	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" (retail) ...	"	N.S.W. ...	"	Above prices plus—for prime, 3d.; good, 3d.; rough, 2½d.
Hams (wholesale) ...	17-7-16	"	"	1s. 2½d., Australian and New Zealand.
Bacon " ...	"	"	"	Sides, 11d.; Flitches, 10½d.; Middles, 1s. 1d.; Shoulders, 9d.
Hams & Bacon (retail)	"	"	"	3½d. more than wholesale prices.
Pork ...	22-9-15	"	"	1s., retail in shops.
Pigs ...	22-9-15	Sydney and Newcastle.	Head ...	5½d. to 6d. per lb., according to weight of pig.
" ...	"	Rest of State ...	"	Above prices, less cost of transport to Sydney or Newcastle saleyards or slaughter-houses.
Milk (retail) ...	17-7-16	County Cumberland.	Quart ...	6d. Bottled, 7d.
" (wholesale) ...	"	"	Gallon and over.	1s. 8d. Companies' price to Vendors, 1s. 3½d.; Suppliers' price to Companies, 1s. a gallon.
" (retail) ...	"	Newcastle ...	Quart ...	5½d.; 1s. 6d. per gallon; Companies' 1s. 0½d.; Suppliers' 1s.
Cream ...	29-5-15	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	For other purposes than butter-making, or consumption in N.S.W. The butter value, less 3d. per lb., and less cost of carriage to nearest factory.
Condensed Milk ...	4-8-16	Sydney and Newcastle.	Tin (large) ...	From 7d. to 9d., according to brand.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" ("Milkmaid").	"	Sydney and Newcastle.	Tin ...	Coffee and Milk, 1s. 9d.; Chocolate and Milk, 1s. 6d.; Cocoa and Milk, 1s. 3d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Sugar I.A. (wholesale) ...	19-1-16	Metropolitan ...	Ton ...	£29 5s.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	"	£29 5s., plus actual freight.
" (retail) ...	"	Metropolitan ...	lb. ...	3½d.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	"	3½d., plus actual freight.
Jam (wholesale) ...	24-2-16	N.S.W. ...	Doz. tins ...	4s. 7d. to 31s. 9d. according to size of tins and brand.
" (retail) ...	"	"	Tin ...	5d. to 3s., according to size of tins and brand.
Fruit, tinned ...	17-3-16	"	"	7½d. to 12½d., according to fruit.
Wine, Spirits, &c. ...	6-1-15	"	"	Same as on 1-8-14, plus amount of increase in duty and freight, &c.
Plum Puddings (wholesale).	1-12-15	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	Dozen ...	1 lb. size, 14s. 6d.; 2 lb., 22s. 3d.; 3 lb., 37s. 9d.
" " (retail)	"	"	Each ...	1 lb. size, 1s. 5d.; 2 lb., 2s. 2d.; 3 lb., 3s. 7d.; other sizes, 1s. 1d. per lb.
" " ...	"	Rest of State ...	"	Above prices, plus cost of carriage.
Rice (retail) ...	10-1-16	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	3d.

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Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Cordials, &c. ...	14-7-16	N.S.W. ...	.....	Same as on 1-8-14, with exceptions as specified.
Baking powder, free from ammonia, phosphates, and sulphates	17-7-16	Sydney and New castle.	Ounce ...	Wholesale, 1½d., of net contents of tin. Retail, above price, plus 25 per cent.
Other kinds ...	"	" " " "	" " " "	Wholesale, 1d. of net contents of tin. Retail, above price, plus 25 per cent.
All kinds ...	"	Remainder of State	" " " "	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Brant† ...	7-8-16	N.S.W. ...	Ton ...	Cash, £4.; booked, £4 2s. 6d.
" ...	10-8-16	" ...	Bushel ...	Cash, 1s. 1d.; booked, 1s. 1½d.
Pollard† ...	7-8-16	" ...	Ton ...	Cash, £5; booked, £5 2s. 6d.
" ...	10-8-16	" ...	Bushel ...	Cash, 1s. 3d.; booked, 1s. 3½d.
Sharps ...	17-3-15	N.S.W., delivered Sydney.	Ton ...	£11.
Chaff, Lucerne ...	10-3-16	Co. Cumberland ...	" ...	On rail, £7 10s.; ex store, £8 1s.; elsewhere, £7 10s.*
" ...	"	Newcastle district...	" ...	On rail, £7 11s.; ex store, £7 16s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 11s.*
" ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	On rail, £6 10s.; ex store, £7; elsewhere, £6 10s.*
Hay, Lucerne ...	"	Co. Cumberland ...	" ...	On wharf, £6 4s., plus freight.
" ...	"	" ...	" ...	At railway, ex truck, £6 17s. 6d.
" ...	"	" ...	" ...	Ex store, on dray, £7 8s., plus carriage.
" ...	"	" ...	" ...	Other places, £6 17s. 6d.*
" ...	"	Newcastle district...	" ...	Ex store, on dray, £7 3s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 3s. 6l.*
" ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	On farm, in stack, £5; in bales, £5 12s. 6d.
" ...	"	" ...	" ...	On rail or steamer, £5 17s. 6d.
" ...	"	" ...	" ...	Ex store, on dray, £6 7s. 6d., plus carriage.
" ...	"	" ...	" ...	Elsewhere, £5 17s. 6d.*
Chaff and Hay (retail)	"	N.S.W. ...	Under 1 ton	Wholesale prices, plus 10 per cent.
Oil—				
Companies' prices—				
Kerosene ...	17-7-16	On rail or boat, Sydney.	8½ gal. ...	11s. 6d.
Benzine ...	"	" " "	8 " ...	10s. 8d.
Heavy Benzine ...	"	" " "	8 " ...	18s. 8d.
Motor Spirit ...	"	" " "	8 " ...	20s. 4d.
Benzoline ...	"	" " "	8 " ...	22s. 4d.
Wholesale Distributors' prices—				
Kerosene ...	"	" " "	8½ " ...	12s. 4d., less 2½ per cent. for 25 cases or over.
" ...	"	" " "	8½ " ...	Less than 25 cases—above price plus 3d. per case
" ...	"	Metropolitan area	8½ " ...	12s. 4d., less 2½ per cent., plus usual carriage.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	8½ " ...	12s. 4d., less 2½ per cent., plus actual carriage.
Retail prices—				
Kerosene ...	"	Metropolitan area	Quart ...	5½d.; tin (4½ gal.), 6s. 9½d.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	Tin, 4½ gal....	6s. 9½d., plus actual carriage.
Benzine, &c. ...	"	Sydney ...	Case, 8 gal.	21s. 8d.; heavy, 20s. 6d.; motor spirit, 22s. 4d.; benzoline, 24s. 6d.
" ...	"	" ...	Under 4 gals.	Above prices, plus ½d. per gal.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	4 gals. & over	Sydney prices, plus actual freight.
" ...	"	" ...	Under 4 gals.	" " " " plus ½d. per gal., and plus freight.
Gas ..	4-11-14	Sydney and North Sydney.	1,000 cub. ft.	3s. 10d.
Soap† (Household) ...	31-8-16	N.S.W. ...	.....	Same as on 1st August, 1916.

* Less carriage to nearest rail.

† Since 6th July, 1916, the Minister of Defence has fixed the prices of commodities under the War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916. Up to the present he has made orders in respect of Bread, Flour, Bran, Pollard, and Soap. The prices of all other commodities in the above table remain as fixed by the N.S.W. Necessary Commodities Control Commission, the Minister having adopted those prices when the Commonwealth Government assumed the control of prices under the War Precautions Act.

Dates of previous Commonwealth proclamations—

Bread—8-7-16, 10-7-16.

Flour, Bran, and Pollard—6-7-16, 22-7-16, 7-8-16.

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The Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission, Branch "C" 33-39 Hunter-street Sydney.

The Resident Commissioner, Murrumbidgee Irrigation Areas, Leeton.